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JAPAN DEMANDS AMERICA RECONSIDER HER ATTITUDE: MATSUOKA ON WESTERN PACIFIC DOMINATION

CHURCHILL AT DOVER

According to the Saigon Radio the Prime Minister, Mr. Churchill, visited Dover on Saturday where he inspected south-east coast defences. He was accompanied by Mr. Harry Hopkins, President Roosevelt's personal representative in London. (Special)

HALIFAX HAS HOUR'S TALK WITH HULL: "SEE THINGS ALIKE"

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26 (Reuter).—LORD HALIFAX, as his first act as Ambassador, called yesterday on MR. CORDELL HULL, Secretary of State, preparatory to presenting his credentials to the PRESIDENT on Monday.

After talking to Mr. Hull for over an hour, Lord Halifax told reporters: "We see things very much alike."

Discussing the war, Lord Halifax said that he thought that "when history comes to be written Herr Hitler will be found to have lost the war in June, 1940, when he failed to take advantage of the situation existing after the collapse of France."

"England," he added, "was then at her weakest and Germany might have been able to cash in if she had acted quickly."

LOOKING FORWARD

Lord Halifax said that he was looking forward to the opportunity of seeing different parts of the

"JAPAN MUST DEMAND THAT AMERICA RECONSIDER HER ATTITUDE."

"JAPAN MUST DOMINATE THE WESTERN PACIFIC—NOT FOR THE SAKE OF JAPAN BUT FOR THE SAKE OF HUMANITY."

"Friendly relations between JAPAN and the UNITED STATES will be impossible so long as America regards CHINA as her first line of defence," declared MR. MATSUOKA, Japanese Foreign Minister when he made a lengthy and uncompromising comment on Mr. Cordell Hull's evidence before the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives, states a London message.

Mr. Matsuoka, who was speaking before the Budget Committee in the Lower House, remarked that no doubt the rise or fall of world civilisation depended on the United States' attitude. He said he would try to make America understand but this could not be done by courting her—only by unshakable resolve.

Mr. Matsuoka added that apart from the eventuality of Germany assuming the initiative of striking at the American continent it might be considered that Article Three of the Tripartite Pact would be invoked and Japan would not recoil from her obligations.

The Americans had an erroneous impression that Japan had exhausted her internal power.

Mr. Matsuoka defended the Axis policy wholeheartedly and denied that the Axis was set on a programme of unlimited conquest. (Special)

SERIOUS INTERNAL TROUBLE IN ITALY

Information has reached London by a roundabout route that there is serious internal trouble in Italy, states a London message.

Rioting is reported to be going on in Milan and Turin. German troops have occupied the Milan railway station. Three senior Italian officers were killed in the rioting.

In the Brindisi area and Sicily there is complete German control.

The Ankara Radio reports that large numbers of German troops are pouring into the south of Italy. (Special)

LOVER OF PEACE

Writes The Times: He is a great lover of peace but he loves justice far more than peace and as such has stood out in England as a man who, more profoundly perhaps than any other of our statesmen, realises how unbridgeable is the gulf that divides us from National Socialism.

The Daily Mail says: The arrival of Lord Halifax in America

symbolises the growing identity of aim between Britain and the United States. The aim of both is to smash Hitler.

Lord Halifax made the journey in one of our new class of great war vessels. Hitler and Mussolini will not miss the significance of that demonstration of sea power.

TRIBUTE TO CHINESE OF COLONY

"Great as your achievements have been in the past, the opening of this second century of our happy partnership promises a period of even greater progress and service to the Empire," said MR. G. H. HALL, Under Secretary of State for the Colonies when he broadcast from London yesterday on the Colony's Centenary.

Mr. Hall said that in a state of war, the Colony, like every other part of the British Empire, had shown its true character and its worth.

He said that the Chinese of Hongkong had entered fully and with zest into the life of the Colony and to them in particular Hongkong owed development of many industries which had been set up.

Mr. Hall in his opening words spoke of the historic landing on this small island on the evening of Jan. 22, 1841. At that time the island might not have seemed a valuable possession, but it had since been greatly developed and this development had not been confined to the island alone, but to the mainland on the opposite side, which had grown into a modern town, which was spreading rapidly along the coast.

Continuing, Mr. Hall said that this development had not been the work of the British alone. Hongkong was the clearing house for trade with China and was a place of refuge for the Chinese from the scourge of war.

THANKS EXPRESSED

"I should like to express on behalf of the people of Great Britain our thanks for all the message of goodwill, loyalty and sympathy which we have received from you," said Mr. Hall. "I know what disturbances mean to you and I should like you to know how much we recognise the spirit which you are facing them."

"On an occasion like this it is right that while reviewing the achievements of the past, we should look ahead to the possibilities of the future."

"Hongkong now enters on its second century of its history. One thing is certain and that is that we are confident that the co-operation which has brought such achievements will carry us through the trials of war and assist us to solve the problems that must be faced until victory is won." (Special)

STOP PRESS

Mr. Wendell Willkie arrived in London by air yesterday. He said, "I am very glad to be in England for whose cause I have the utmost sympathy." (Special)

A German bomber was shot down by a British fighter off the coast near Falmouth yesterday. (Special)

ARMY OF NILE REACH DERNA: LITTLE ENEMY OPPOSITION: WOPS RETREATING ON ALL FRONTS

ONLY FOUR DAYS AFTER THE FALL OF TOBRUK, GENERAL WAVELL'S ARMY OF THE NILE HAS REACHED DERNA which is more than 100 miles further west along the coast. There was little enemy opposition, says a London message.

Official information in London, which concerns the activities on Friday, states that the British forces are within three miles of Derna and that armoured car patrols have already entered the town.

During the rapid advance along the coast many small groups of Italians have been caught by British flying columns and it is only a matter of time when they will all surrender.

From the other African front comes news that the Italians are retreating on all fronts and that 600 prisoners have been taken in Eritrea.

In north-west Abyssinia the Italians are also retreating. A recent arrival in London told of conditions in Addis Ababa where many Italians have been murdered. There is very little milk, macaroni and sugar and a shortage of petrol. (Special)

STEADY PRESSURE

Steady pressure by the British troops and bombers against Italy's African Empire on all fronts were recorded in communiques from Gen. Wavell's headquarters, says Reuter.

Good Little Nazi "Echo"

LONDON, Jan. 26 (Reuter).—In Stockholm is published the following story from Germany localised to the factory in which Herr Hitler made his last speech in the mountains of Berchtesgaden or the Brenner Pass.

Hitler shouts and is answered by his echo as follows: Wer regiert die grosse Welt—Roosevelt; dass wer diktiert den Frieden—Eden (Who rules the whole world—Roosevelt; who dictates the peace—Eden).

The Kardenumma Svenska Dagbladet adds the following censored version of the above: "One day Herr Hitler was speaking in a large hall where the echo was extremely loud and said: 'Wer befreit die grosse Welt'."

"There was a moment's silence after which the echo quietly and firmly answered 'Hitler'."

"That was indeed a well brought up and a good little echo."

APPALLING HORROR IN RUMANIA

Looting And Persecution Of Jews Continuous

BELGRADE, Jan. 26 (Reuter).—After five days of the most confused reports from the sealed frontiers of RUMANIA, the fog is now lifting from the tangled events of the costly attempt at the revolution there.

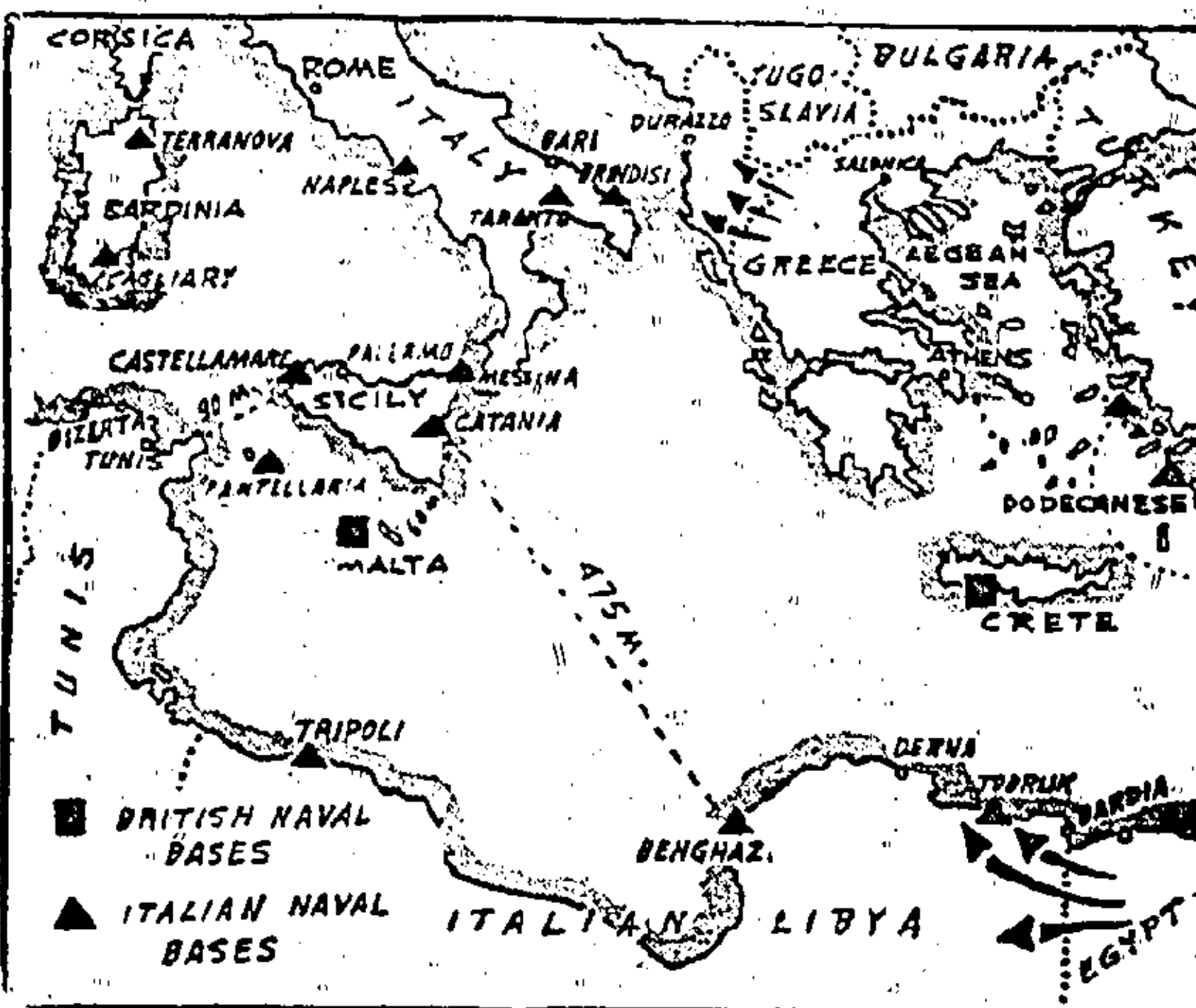
It was now a clear and straight fight between a strong body of legionaries of the Iron Guard, led by M. HORIA SIMA and M. PETRO VICECESCU, former Minister of the Interior and the head of the Government, General Antonescu.

The insurgents claimed that the Prime Minister was not a true friend of the legionary.

A report from a reliable witness states that Wednesday night was one of appalling horror with continuous machine-gun and artillery fire, coinciding with a vicious and nightlong program during which shops were looted and burnt in all the Jewish districts of the capital.

INSURGENTS PUZZLED

For the first few days, the insurgents were puzzled by M. Horia Sima's silence and encouraged by



MAJORITY OF INMATES OF SLY BROTHELS BOUGHT BY MISTRESSES

(Special to the "Hongkong Daily Press")

In the letter to the Hongkong Daily Press on Saturday, "Anti-Slavery" stated that "this horrible traffic is not diminished by licences" and that by being segregated the girls "are deprived of their freedom—they become slaves in an Empire which is fighting for liberty, not for men only but for women as well."

If the correspondent honestly believes that the sly prostitutes lead a more free and easy life than the inmates of "tolerated" houses then he (or she) must have been thoroughly misinformed by one who has not the slightest knowledge of prostitutes—"tolerated" or otherwise.

According to investigations—and to information supplied to the Hongkong Daily Press reporter—at least 60 per cent. of the inmates of the sly brothels ARE BOUGHT by their mistresses who, incidentally, are NOT the brothel-keepers.

These girls, who are often ill-treated, are not allowed to keep any part of their earnings and are only given food, lodging and clothing. Their pocket-money (even to the copper for an occasional cup of "cooling tea") comes from their clients as tips!

In the case of a girl contracting V. D. she is given Chinese medicine and, if the disease gets to an advanced stage, she might be taken to a Chinese doctor. Should, however, it be found that she is an incurable case, she is then pushed out into the streets to fend for herself.

TAKEN AS CONCUBINES

"Inmates of 'tolerated' houses were, on the other hand, given every consideration by their mistresses—not on humanitarian, out on mercenary, grounds as there was always the possibility of their being bought (or redeemed) by some rich Chinese patrons and elevated to the rank of concubines. No Chinese gentleman would dream of taking a sly prostitute as a concubine—or even as a mistress.

Periodical medical examinations—and free advice on hygiene—kept the girls in a state of comparative cleanliness. It also kept the houses well-swept, dusted and lighted.

What do the present inmates, or their keepers, know of personal hygiene? What precautions do the girls take? Absolutely none. According to a well-known medical officer, the only precautions taken by the girls are the use of Lysol, or some other preparation, and the taking of Chinese medicine every week.

The houses are, more often than not, in a filthy state—unswept, dark with kerosene lamps as the only means of illumination, occupied by 10 or more persons (excluding the girls), and without any toilet facilities.

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ROOSEVELT HONOURS NEW BRITISH ENVOY TO UNITED STATES

ANNAPOLIS, Jan. 26 (Reuter).—Lord Halifax, new British Ambassador to the United States, on landing here, told newspapermen: "The quicker your generous help can be made effective the sooner shall we be able to break the Nazi power trying to enslave Europe and the world."

"We have assuredly a rough and difficult, and perhaps very long road before us, but the British people are united as never before in their history."

"I have no doubt that with your help we shall win through and so save the cause on which your civilisation and ours depend."

Lord Halifax, in this statement to the press, referred to the "great honour" which President Roosevelt had done Britain by his personal greeting.

The car bearing President Roosevelt and Lord Halifax headed a long procession of motor-cars to Washington.

United States Secret Service agents maintained an exceptional guard throughout the route.

At the British Embassy President Roosevelt bade Lord and Lady Halifax good-night, thus closing one of the most dramatic scenes of international friendship in American history.

LONDON PRESS COMMENTS

Nothing could be more fitting than that Lord Halifax's arrival in America on a mission so charged with consequence for the two nations, and indeed for the world, should have been dignified by the association of the most formidable symbol of British sea power.

This comment in the Daily Telegraph is typical of the tone of editorials in yesterday morning's London newspapers on Lord Halifax's arrival in America in H.M.S. King George V.

The newspaper continues: Here is to be seen timely evidence of the uninterrupted activity of our shipyards.

Today's News Summary

SPEAKING IN TOKYO YESTERDAY, the Japanese Foreign Minister said that Japan must demand that America reconsider her attitude. He also defended the Axis policy wholeheartedly.

FOUR DAYS AFTER TAKING TOBRUK, the Imperial Forces have now reached Derna, a hundred miles further west. Little opposition was encountered.

M. HORIA SIMA, LEADER OF THE Iron Guard rebels, is reported to have been placed under arrest. There was appalling horror during the brief attempted revolt in Rumania and the persecution of Jews was continuous.

SERIOUS INTERNAL TROUBLE IN ITALY is reported and large numbers of German troops are stated to be pouring into the south of Italy.

A BROADCAST ON THE HONGKONG CENTENARY was given by the Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies in London yesterday.

SING TAO HEAD
LEAGUE TABLEKowloon Overwhelm
St. Joseph's

Sing Tao, by virtue of their win over Police, assumed the lead in First Division of the League, while St. Joseph's were badly trounced by Kowloon to the tune of nine-nil on the railway ground.

At Boundary Street Police gave a sterling display in the first half to hold Sing Tao to a goalless draw and gave the hope that they might surprise the Chinese for the second time. In the second half, however, the Chinese exerted their superiority and scored two goals to make sure of victory.

Fast tackling by the Police defence and their robust methods of play kept Sing Tao's attack from getting into stride but the Chinese found their feet in the latter stages and scored through Kwok Ying-ki and Fung King-cheong.

Police—Tsang Wing; Blackburn, Chan Kwong-yu; Pope, Gough, North; Wong Man-kwai, Howlett, Parker, Ferrier and Moss.

Sing Tao—Cheong Wing-choy; Hau Yung-sang, Lee Tin-sang; Tsui Ah-fai, Leung Wing-chiu, Soong Ling-sing; Ip Pak-wah, Kwok Ying-kee, Fung King-cheong, Lai Shiu-wing and Yeung Shui-yick.

FIVE FOR AULD

Scoring two quick goals in the opening minutes of the game Club gave every indication of collecting their first two points for some time against Royal Scots at the Valley. The fine shooting of Auld, however, proved the deciding factor and turned the tide.

Before the game was hardly 15 minutes old Club was in the lead through two goals by Fowler. Fighting back the Scots, before the interval, netted three times through Auld. In the second half Auld and Larkin each added one more to the Scots' score, while Forrow and Fowler replied for the losers.

Club—Odell; Eardley, Strang, Gilchrist, Upton, Millington; Forrow, Scott, Fowler, Reiertsen, and Foulard.

Royal Scots—Bankier; Naysmith, Fraser, Adamson, Parnaby, Clark, Garrie, Marshall, Auld, Munro and Larkin.

SAINTS TROUNCED

Playing one short throughout St. Joseph's went down to their hosts, Kowloon, by the big score of nine-goals to nil, despite the great efforts put in by Leonard, Bowen and Gomes in trying to stem the tide.

First half goals were scored by Pereira, Blake and Pereira, and in the second half Hutchinson, Ulrich (pen) Lamb (pen) and Blake (3) netted without reply.

Kowloon—Lapsley; Lamb, Ulrich, White, Maxwell, Hutchinson; Truscott, Jackson, Blake, Pereira and Mathias.

St. Joseph's—Ali; Gomes, Bowen, Ruel, Leonard, Lau; Chan, Castilho, Santos and Cruz.

OTHER RESULTS

Results of other league games as follow:

SECOND DIVISION

Kowloon 0, R.A.O.C. 0.
R.E. 2, S. China 2.
R.A.S.C. 3, Middlesex 1.
Police 3, Club 1.
R. Navy 0, Sing Tao 2.
Kit Chee 0, R. Scots 0.

THIRD DIVISION

20th R.A. 1, 24th R.A. 3.
Signals 6, Shell 1.
R.E. 4, A.S.A. 0.
International 2, 35th R.A. 3.

TABLE TO DATE

FIRST DIVISION

	Goals
P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.	
Sing Tao	17 13 2 2 41 20 28
S. China	16 12 2 2 48 19 26
Eastern	16 11 3 2 51 27 35
Middlesex	15 7 2 6 33 35 16
Kowloon	13 5 2 6 33 25 13
K. Wah	16 4 4 8 37 45 12
R. Navy	14 3 5 6 36 39 11
Police	15 5 1 9 25 37 11
R. Scots	15 4 2 9 29 41 10
Club	13 3 1 9 26 46 7
St. Joseph's	16 2 3 11 17 43 7

SECOND DIVISION

	Goals
P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.	
R.E.	16 13 3 0 15 10 29
S. China	17 10 5 2 49 18 25
R.A.S.C.	16 11 2 3 75 26 24
Sing Tao	16 10 3 3 49 22 23
Middlesex	18 10 3 5 58 34 23
R. Scots	17 9 2 6 43 27 20
R. Navy	18 9 2 7 46 42 20
20th R.A.	18 7 4 7 45 49 18
Kit Chee	17 7 3 2 47 17 17
K. Wah	17 5 3 9 27 45 13
R.A.O.C.	16 4 3 9 23 41 11

INTERNATIONAL
RUGGER TOURNEYSCOTLAND DEFEAT
ENGLAND IN FINALS

Scotland beat England by a goal and two tries (11 pts.) to a try (3 pts.) in the final of the International Rugby Tournament played at the Club ground on Saturday.

The same was very evenly contested until Thompson, the English full-back was injured. The Scots took their interval lead of 5-3 to 11-3 and would have added to their total but for resolute defensive play, especially on the part of Bosanquet.

England took the lead originally through Marsh who went over the line after receiving a pass from Coombes. Scotland were not in arrears for long and Douglass cut through to send Macdonald over for an easy try which Millar converted with a fine kick. Stewart and Ford scored tries in the second half.

CLUB-POLICE WIN

In another rugby match on Saturday, a Club-Police team beat a Combined Services XV by a goal, a penalty goal and a try (8 pts.) after being led 8-3 at half-time.

HOME FOOTBALL
RESULTS

LONDON, Jan. 26 (Reuter).—The following are the results of Home football matches played yesterday:

London Cup
Chelsea 0, Brentford 1; Crystal P. 5, Fulham 2; Queen's P. R. 2, Aldershot 3; Clapton 0, Reading 4; Tottenham 4, Millwall 0; West Ham-1, Arsenal 3.

League (South)
Portsmouth 10, Bournemouth 2; Southampton 2, Brighton 2; Watford 7, Southampton 1.

Midland Cup
Luton 2, Northampton 2.

Lancashire Cup
Blackpool 2, Manchester C. 3; Burnley 4, Everton 1.

North Regional
Newcastle 7, Sheffield W. 1; Rochdale 5, Crewe 0; Stockport 4, Southport 1; York 3, Hull 3; Blackburn 3, Bury 1.

South Regional
Cardiff 3, Swansea 2; Stoke 2, Notts C. 2.

Friendly
Scottish F. A. 1, Army XI, 0.

RUGBY LEAGUE
LONDON, Jan. 26 (Reuter).—The following are the results of the Rugby League played yesterday:

Hull 10, Dewsbury 0, Wigan 8, Oldham 6.

**TRUE BLUE WINS
SWEEPSTAKE RACE**

The Sweepstake Race of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club sailed on Saturday resulted in wins for True Blue (Mr. L. Garner) and Zephyr (Major C. Rochford-Boyd).

Results follow:
Yacht Finished Cor. Pos.
True Blue 17.45.46 17.45.46 1
(Mr. L. Garner)

Artemis 17.50.17 17.50.17 2
(Mr. G. G. Wood)

La Linda 17.50.39 17.50.39 3
(Mr. P. Chidell)

Tyrone Chai D.N.F.
Isobel D.N.F.
Joss D.N.F.
Gull D.N.F.
Painted Lady D.N.F.
Maureen D.N.F.

MIXED CLASS
Zephyr 17.24.44 17.24.44 1
(Major C. Rochford-Boyd)

Alisa 17.26.12 17.26.12 2
(Capt. W. A. Ingram)

Owl 17.47.45 17.47.45 3
(Mr. G. L. Eastgate)

Eryl 17.44.29 17.44.29 4
(Lieut.-Col. J. C. L. Yale)

THIRD DIVISION
Goals
P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.
R.A.P. 15 12 2 1 45 15 26
Signals 17 11 4 2 41 19 26
24th R.A. 17 8 5 4 41 23 21
36th R.A. 16 9 2 5 50 23 20
24th R.A. 16 7 3 6 35 23 17
R.E. 16 8 1 7 43 27 17
7th R.A. 16 6 3 7 30 30 13
35th R.A. 14 6 3 5 29 31 15
R.A.O.C. 14 6 2 6 28 41 14
Internat'l 15 5 2 8 31 31 12
20th R.A. 15 5 2 8 27 41 12
Shell 15 1 1 13 19 49 5
A.S.A. 14 0 0 14 4 63 0

VALLEY TRAINING GALLOPS

The following times were clocked during the training gallops held at Happy Valley on Saturday and yesterday respectively:

	Dis- tance	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	5th Qr.	6th Qr.	Last
Dashing Beauty	1	37.3	1.13	1.43				30
Graceful View	1	40	1.15	1.49	2.19	2.48		29
Manhattan	1	37	1.09.2	1.40	2.09.2	2.39	3.08.2	29.2
First Love	1	33.3	1.06.1	1.37.1	2.06.2	2.36		29.3
Trade Wind								
Dignitas	1	45	1.25	2.03	2.37.2	3.07		29.3
Lovely View	1	35	1.06	1.37	2.10.2			33.2
Well Done & Eve								
Of Paradise	1	40	1.21	2.06	2.39.3			33.3
Corvette	1	36	1.08.1	1.37	2.08			31
Jungle Lover	1	41	1.19.1	1.56.2	2.30.3	3.03		32.2
Distant View	1	33.4	1.03.2	1.30.4				27.2
Hascossay	1	43	1.25	2.00.2	2.29.3			29.1
King's Welcome	1	29.4	59.3	1.28.4	1.57.3			28.4
Prairie View	1	36	1.08.2	1.43	2.13	2.41		28
Snow White	1	34	1.06	1.35	2.04			29
Marsh Warbler	1	31.2	1.02.2	1.31.3	1.59.2			27.4
Swallow	1	34.1	1.07.3	1.41	2.09.4	2.43.2		33.3
Mountain View	1	36	1.10	1.39.2	2.08			28.3
Eve of Deception								
Illusion	1	43	1.20	2.01.4	2.34			32.1
Never-Never								
Corriedoor	1	32	1.03	1.32.3	2.03			29.3
Starlight View	1	38	1.12	1.45	2.15	2.44		29
Zadderday								
King's Flight	1	32.1	1.04	1.35.1	2.05.2			30.1
Bendemeer	1	43	1.23	1.58	2.31.3	3.00.1	3.27.3	27.2
Gold Rod	1	37.4	1.11.1	1.44	2.14			30

YESTERDAY'S GALLOPS

Moonlight* &								
Daylight† 14	40	1.21	1.57.1	2.32	3.02.3	3.33	30.2	
National Welfare† 14	35	1.11.4	2.13.1	2.41.3			28.2	
A Surprising								
Time† 1	30.4	1.00.2	1.31.2				31	
Eve of Grandeur† 1	35	1.10.3	1.43.3	2.18.1			—	
National Reform* 1	31.2	1.01.4	1.30.4				29	
Locus Standi* 1	37.2	1.10.2	1.41.4	2.12			30.1	
Happy Returns†								
Crack Shot† 14	32	1.03.3	1.34	2.04	2.34.1		30.1	
A Happy Time* 14	42	1.17	1.47.1				30.1	
National Courage* 14	37.3	1.10.3	1.42.2	2.11	2.39		28	
Starlight* &								
Sunlight* 14	41	1.16.2	1.49.3	2.22.4	2.56	2.27.4	31.4	
Saratoga† &								
Santa Anita† 14	36	1.14.3	1.51	2.22.2	2.53		30.3	
The 19th Hole† 1	32	1.02.3	1.32.2	1.59.4			27.2	
Charlesbert† 1	34	1.07	1.36.3				29.3	
Sydney Diamond† 14	41	1.15	1.46.4	2.14.2	2.44.1		29.4	
Strathalbyn† &								
Senorita† 1	34	1.03	1.32	2.02			30	
Ratio Decidendi* 1	35	1.10.4	1.42.1	2.11			29.3	
Bendigo† 1	34.1	1.06	1.35	2.04.3			29.3	
Look See† 1	35.3	1.09.3	1.40	2.09			29	
Canberra† 1	35	1.08.2	1.36.2	2.04.4			28.2	
Main Salt† 1	45	1.21	1.58.4	2.28.1			29.2	
Jus Gentium† 14	38.2	1.12	1.45.3	2.14.3	2.44		29.2	
Vitamin M† 1	39.2	1.17.3	1.57	2.25			28	
The Koala Bear† 1	30	58.2	1.28.3				30.1	
Iron Belle† &								
Iron Beauty† 1	38	1.11	1.46	2.18	2.52.2		34.2	
Riverside† 1	34.2	1.05.4	1.34.2	2.02.4			28.2	
Velvetlight†								
Lovelylight† 14	40	1.16.2	1.55	2.30.3	3.04.3	3.36.1	31.3	
Man O'War* &								
Princess								
Adelaide† 1	33	1.06	1.35.1	2.05.2			30	
Red Rabbit† &								
Tien Tien† 1	41	1.20	1.52	2.22.2			30.2	
Seal River†								
Castle Hill† 1	31.2	1.02	1.33	2.03			30	

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The following is the return of notifiable diseases notified as having occurred in the Colony during the 24 hours ended at midnight on Jan. 24: Diphtheria, five cases; Measles, five cases; Dysentery, five cases; Tuberculosis, 13 cases (one imported).
EASTERN PORT
The Health Bulletin of Eastern Ports for the week ending on Jan. 18 shows a practically clean bill of health, only four cases of Small-Pox being reported, for Shanghai.

COMING EVENTS

JAN.
27—Tides: High 10.27 a.m. and 9.27 p.m. Low 3.39 a.m. and 2.36 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.04 a.m.; Sunset: 6.09 p.m.
Chinese New Year—Bank Holiday.
Y.M.C.A.: Whist Drive, 8.30 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.).
Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.
H.K. Oversea Chinese Ambulance Assn. New Year Entertainment.
Peninsula Hotel, 8 p.m.
St. Andrew's Fellowship of Youth, 8.15 p.m.
Charity Softball, Kowloon Football Club.
Soccer: Lal Wah Cup—Chinese v. Army, Navy Ground, 3.30 p.m.
28—Tides: High 11.03 a.m. and 10.08 p.m. Low 4.13 a.m. and 3.17 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.04 a.m.; Sunset: 6.09 p.m.
Chinese New Year—Bank Holiday.
H.K. Rotary Club, Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m.
Cheero Club, Whist Drive, 8.30 p.m.
29—Tides: High 11.36 a.m. and 10.42 p.m. Low 4.47 a.m. and 3.57 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.04 a.m.; Sunset: 6.10 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.).
Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.
H.K. Committee for Student Relief Charity Bazaar, St. Paul's College, Pedder Hill.
Cheero Club, Dance, 8.30 p.m.
Urban Council Meeting, 4.15 p.m.
30—Tides: High 12.08 a.m. and 11.14 p.m. Low 5.17 a.m. and 4.29 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.03 a.m.; Sunset: 6.11 p.m.
H.K. Y's Men's Club, Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m.
H.K. Committee for Student Relief Charity Bazaar, St. Paul's College, Pedder Hill.
Cheero Club, Bridge and Mahjong.
31—Tides: High 12.38 p.m. and 11.42 p.m. Low 5.48 a.m. and 5.23 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.03 a.m.; Sunset: 6.11 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.).
Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.
Kowloon C.C. Extraordinary General Mtg., 6.30 p.m.
H.K. Committee for Student Relief Charity Bazaar, St. Paul's College, Pedder Hill.
Calms against Sander, Wieler and Co. (in liquidation) due.
Entries close for Junior Chess Championship.
Entries close for Trinity College of Music (Theoretical) Examinations.
St. David's Society of H.K. Annual Meeting, Room 510, Fifth Floor, Windsor House, 5.30 p.m.
C.E. Warren & Co. Ltd. Meeting of Creditors, St. George's Building, 12 p.m.
Cheero Club, Darts and Table Tennis.
St. Anthony's Church, West Point, Solemn Mass for Chinese Co-operators and devotees of St. John Bosco, 9.30 a.m.
FEB.
1—Tides: High 1.07 p.m. Low 6.21 a.m. and 6.07 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.03 a.m.; Sunset: 6.12 p.m.
"Funlety" at China Fleet Club Theatre, 9.15 p.m.

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SCHUMANN CONCERTO IN D MINOR
"Hi, Gang!"
12.15 p.m.—Short Service of Intercession.
12.30 Variety
Comedienne—When "Summer is Gone" (Harrison and Wilshire)—Gracie Fields with Orchestra. "Piano—Top of the World" Selection—Eddie Carroll with String Bass and Drums. Comedian—The Seagull Song—Arthur Askey with Piano. Comedians—More Chorus Corner—Arthur Askey and Richard Murdoch. Comedienne—Whiskers and All (Weston-Lee). I Can't Remember (Berlin)—Gracie Fields with Orchestra. Vocal—Mist on the River: I'm Stepping out with a memory to-night—"Hutch"—(Leslie Hutchinson) at the Piano.
1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Charlie Kunz at the Piano.
Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. 22. Intro: Shoe Shine Boy; When I'm With you; Somebody Stole My Gal; Take My Heart; At the Cafe Continental; Did I Remember. Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. 23. Intro: A Star Fell Out of Heaven; Serenade in the Night; A Fine Romance.
1.13 Dance Music by Tommy Dorsey and His Orchestra.
Fox-Trots—Between a Kiss and a Sigh; Angels with Dirty Faces. Swing Fox-Trots—Weary Blues; Washboard Blues. Fox-Trots—Honolulu (from the film); This Night (film "Honolulu").
1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.45 Mozart—Quartet in F Major.
1st Mov: Allegro moderato; 2nd Mov: Allegretto; 3rd Mov: Menuetto (Allegretto) and Trio; 4th Mov: Allegro—The Budapest String Quartet.
2.15 Close down.
2.45 Indian Programme.
6.30 Schumann—Concerto in D Minor.
Yehudi Menuhin (Violin) and The Philharmonic-Symphony Orchestra of New York cond. by John Barbirolli.
7.00 London Relay—The News.
7.15 London Relay—Questions of the Hour.
7.30 March Weber and His Orchestra and Mavis Bennett (Soprano).
Character Sketches—In the Temple of the Bells (Study from Peking—Yoshimoto)—Chinese Fairy Tales (Dreyer)—Marek Weber and His Orchestra. The Doll's Song (Tales of Hoffmann)—Offenbach—Mavis Bennett (Soprano) w. Orchestra. Potpourri of Waltzes (Robert)—Marek Weber and His Orchestra. Wine, Women and Song (Strauss)—Mavis Bennett (Soprano) w. Orchestra. Leo Fall—Potpourri (arr. Dostal)—Marek Weber and His Orch.
8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 Patricia Rossborough at the Piano.
Medley, Intro: Hometown; Moon at Sea; You're here, you're there, you're everywhere. Damsel in Distress—Selection. Pianoforte (Roy Barge); Silpova (Barge and Straight).
8.15 London Relay—"Hi, Gang!"
9.00 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.
9.30 Excerpts from Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Mikado."
Braid the Raven Hair—Beatrice Elburn (Soprano) and Chorus of Girls. The Sun Whose Rays are All Ablaze—Elsie Griffin (Soprano); Brightly Dawns Our Wedding Day—Elsie Griffin, Dennis Hemmingsway, Derek Oldham and George Baker. Here's a How-De-Do—Elsie Griffin, Derek Oldham and Henry Lytton. Mi-Ta Sa-Ma—Bertha Lewis, Darrell Fancourt and Chorus; A More Humane Mikado—Darrell Fancourt and Chorus of Men. The Criminal Cried—Alleen Davies, Henry A. Lytton, Leo Sheffield and Chorus.
9.55 Clapham and Dwyer and Cleary Courtneidge.
Why Has a Cow got Four Legs (Furber and Ellis)—Cleary Courtneidge assisted by Wilson; Hallett with Orchestra. Sketch—Two Minds Without a Single Thought (Furber)—Cleary Courtneidge and Company. Arguments—Clapham and Dwyer. Sketch—The Girl in the Post Office (Jeans)—Cleary Courtneidge and Company.
10.15 New Dance Music.
Fox-Trots—Mary Lou, Tony's Wife—Van Alexander and His Orchestra. Swing Fox-Trots—Cotton Tail; Never No Lament—Duke Ellington and His Famous Orchestra. Waltz—If You Hadn't Asked Me to Dance; Fox-Trot—When the Blackbird Sings Bye-Bye—New Mayfair Dance Orchestra. Fox-Trots—A Nightingale Sang in Berkeley Square (from "New Faces") Tigerzy Boo (The Forces' Thumbs Up Song)—Joe Loss and His Orchestra. Swing Fox-Trots—Frenesi; Adrie Adrie. Maricquita Linda—Artie Shaw and His New Orchestra. Fox-Trot—Where the Blue Begins (from "Ten of the World"); Waltz—By The Steep Lagoon—New Mayfair Dance Orchestra. Fox-Trots—I Haven't Time to be a Millionaire; April Played the Piano (both from film "If I Had My Way")—Tommy Dorsey and His Orchestra.
11.00 Close down.

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Full Bulletin 5.00 p.m.
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Full Bulletin 7.00 p.m.
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Full Bulletin 8.30 a.m.

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- 5 Repulse
- 8 Join
- 9 Dressed
- 10 Scottish landowner
- 11 Animal
- 12 Track
- 14 Shut out
- 17 Artist
- 19 Interfere
- 22 Ahab's wife
- 25 Servant
- 28 Poem
- 29 Shoe
- 30 Weapon
- 31 Freight
- 32 Cut
- 33 Prostrate

DOWN

- 1 Deserve
- 2 Leg bone
- 3 Crouches
- 4 Litter
- 5 Memento
- 6 Foreign soldier
- 7 Shelf
- 13 Awaken
- 15 Conducted
- 16 Dig
- 18 Anger
- 20 Surround
- 21 Storeys
- 22 Jokes
- 23 Animal
- 24 Small set
- 26 Language
- 27 Subject

SOLUTION WEDNESDAY

POLICE REPORTS

Lam Hing of No. 349 Nathan Road, reports that his car No. 2873, a Hillman Minx, valued at \$1,700, was stolen while parked outside his residence between 9.30 p.m. and 10.30 p.m. on Jan. 24.

Mr. G.A. Lawrance, of Messrs. A.S. Watson and Company, Ltd., has reported the theft of \$30 worth of tin piping from the workshop between 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. on Jan. 24.

Qoo Ah-chau, building contractor, residing at No. 305, Jaffe Road, reports that between 5 p.m. on Jan. 19 and 3 p.m. on Jan. 20, \$90 worth of water piping was stolen from a building under construction, near the 19 milestone on Castle Peak Road.

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HILARIOUS FUN

Two amazingly prolific thinkers—Stan Laurel and Oliver Hardy, and they disclosed their recipes during production of Hal Roach's new comedy, "Saps at Sea," on view at the Majestic Theatre on Wednesday.
Both members of the famous comedy team give forth with several gag ideas a day during the shooting of a picture. They have different mental techniques, however. "Babe" Hardy, the corpulent one, uses the isolationist method for celebrating. He really sits down and thinks. He says to himself: "Now for some solid, uninterrupted mental functioning. I'll devote 15 minutes to getting ideas for gags. I want to be alone, too."
Both Hardy and Laurel, who appear as horn testers in a musical factory in "Saps at Sea," agreed that a slight fever or a blow on the pate are also helpful in the origin of comedy situations.

GERMAN ARMoured DIVISIONS FOR NORTH AFRICA?

Reported Nazi Demand To France For Tunisia As Base Of Operations

LONDON, Jan. 26 (Reuter).—Some interest has been aroused by a Swiss report received here via New York to the effect that Hitler has made a formal demand to Marshal Petain for the use of Tunisia as a base of operations against the British forces in North Africa.

Nothing has yet been heard by diplomatic or other competent circles in London tending to confirm this report. Reuter's diplomatic correspondent learns, but it is pointed out that rumours of point-blank Nazi demands to France have appeared on various occasions and confirmation of them has rarely been forthcoming.

The same remark applies to a suggestion that the Germans have assembled two armoured divisions in Italy in readiness to cross the Mediterranean and disembark at Bizerta, the great French naval base in Tunisia.

The precise text of the armistice agreement between the Axis powers and France has never been published but it is generally known that the French fleet and bases in unoccupied territory, including French colonies, have been excluded from the armistice terms.

PRECIOUS ASSETS
Nothing has yet occurred which warrants any belief that the French authorities are disposed to surrender such precious assets as the armistice agreement permitted them to retain, at any rate not without a struggle or for some compensation which Hitler is scarcely in a position to offer.

Since the close of hostilities in France an Italian armistice commission has been at work in the French colonies, and incidentally, about this commission it is known that its members have long since abandoned the practice of appearing in public in their Italian uniforms.

FRENCH FLEET
As long as France possesses her fleet and substantial land forces in North Africa it is hardly likely that the Germans can force her to yield essential facilities for a German landing.

It is believed the French land

DIVISIONS SURVEY FLIGHT OF C.N.A.C.

New India-China Air Service Prospects

CALCUTTA, Jan. 26 (Reuter).—Mr. W. L. Bond, Vice-President of the C.N.A.C., said yesterday that the results of the trial trip and representations to the Government of India were favourable to the opening of a new air line between Calcutta and China.

Mr. Bond added that technical problems and the mail rate were discussed.

Result of the survey trip was to find that a service between Calcutta and Hongkong, to meet trans-Pacific services, will be most suitable, but actual establishment of such a service depends on negotiations between the Governments of India and China.

Mr. Bond hoped something would materialise within six months.

The C.N.A.C. plane nipped off from Calcutta for China at noon.

VICHY NATIONAL COUNCIL

PURPOSE OF NEW BODY EXPLAINED

VICHY, Jan. 26 (Reuter).—A frank explanation of the purpose and character of the National Council established by Marshal Petain was offered by the press yesterday.

Stressing the technical expert qualifications of members, Le Journal says it is a temporary institution which will carry France forward to the time when national representation will be substituted for the former Assemblies.

The newspaper continues: "Don't think of any resurrection of Parliament. Members are nominated not elected."

"More than ever power comes from above. The system and methods of yesterday are finished."

Similarly Maurice Vallet, writing in L'Avenir, says the councillors are called to collaborate in great work at the side of a man from whom they will draw all their authority.

BRITISH TROOPS CROSS ABYSSINIAN FRONTIER

Half-Hearted Resistance: Keru And Ailota Captured

CAIRO, Jan. 26 (Reuter).—British forces have crossed the frontier into Abyssinia at several points, principally in the neighbourhood of Lake Rodolf, according to the latest reports from Kenya.

In the Eritrean mountains and the heights of Gollam—Abyssinia's patriot province—native war drums are nightly beating out news of the rapid British advance in Eritrea. They are telling of the hurried Italian withdrawal and of the swift fall of Keru and Ailota, which, it was learned here, were taken by British forces after half-hearted attempts at resistance by the Italians, who lost a few men taken prisoner.

Every mile of the British advance, it is stated here, is encouraging Abyssinian patriots.

General Wavell yesterday made a tour of inspection of forts and defences of Tobruk battered beyond recognition by British artillery and bombs of the R.A.F. As he walked round, many buildings and dumps were still blazing. Order is being rapidly restored in the town as the British Command takes control, writes Reuter's Special correspondent.

The total number of prisoners is not yet available. Thousands are still waiting in desert prison camps to be transferred to the east.

PLANS FORMULATED

Although Tobruk—often called Graziani's eastern stronghold—has only just been taken, General Wavell's army is not standing still. Following the short rest, needed by every man after the strenuous battle, plans have already been formulated for a general drive to the west.

With great audacity, advanced armoured divisions are already operating to the west and the full strength of the Imperial Army is at the leash to follow them.

THOUSANDS OF PRISONERS

ALEXANDRIA, Jan. 26 (Reuter).—Light units of the British Navy, battling through waves whipped by sandstorms sweeping to the sea from the desert, continue to pour their thousands of Italian prisoners into temporary camps at ports, including Alexandria.

Since the fall of Sidi Barrani 54,000 prisoners have been conveyed to Egyptian ports, but yesterday's batch were the first from Tobruk. As a ship bringing Tobruk prisoners approached the harbour, port holes were filled with sur-

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Rebel Leaders Making Last Stand In Party H.Q.

LONDON, Jan. 26 (Reuter).—The Rumanian Government yesterday closed the Bulgaria and Soviet frontiers, and other drastic measures to bring the revolt to an end were also reported to have been taken.

Insurgents attempting to escape across the frontiers were arrested, although many are said to have been successful in escaping into the northern Dobruja of Bulgaria.

Recent Rumanian arrivals in Sofia state they passed 200 corpses by the roadside—mostly of Jews. They reported there had been much looting, especially of Jewish shops and that the shortage of food in Rumania was serious.

Meanwhile General Antonescu has issued a decree ordering all firearms to be surrendered within 24 hours.

SIMA DISAPPEARS
Bucharest radio yesterday accused Horia Sima, the Vice-Premier and Iron Guard leader, of instigating the revolt, and a search for the vanished Fascist chief is now being carried out by the military.

Everything seems to be quiet in Bucharest itself, and armoured cars are patrolling the deserted streets.

The Rumanian Patriarch has sent a telegram to General Antonescu stating: "You have taken heroic steps. We know you were reluctant but we also know you had to do it."

RAILWAYS SUSPENDED
A correspondent managed to telephone from Bucharest that at 4 p.m. all was quiet. Train services were suspended except for a single line between Bucharest and Constanza.

German troops, the correspondent added, were stationed round Bucharest about four miles from the capital, on Thursday morning.

They had not joined in the fighting but were preventing Iron Guardists from entering the city.

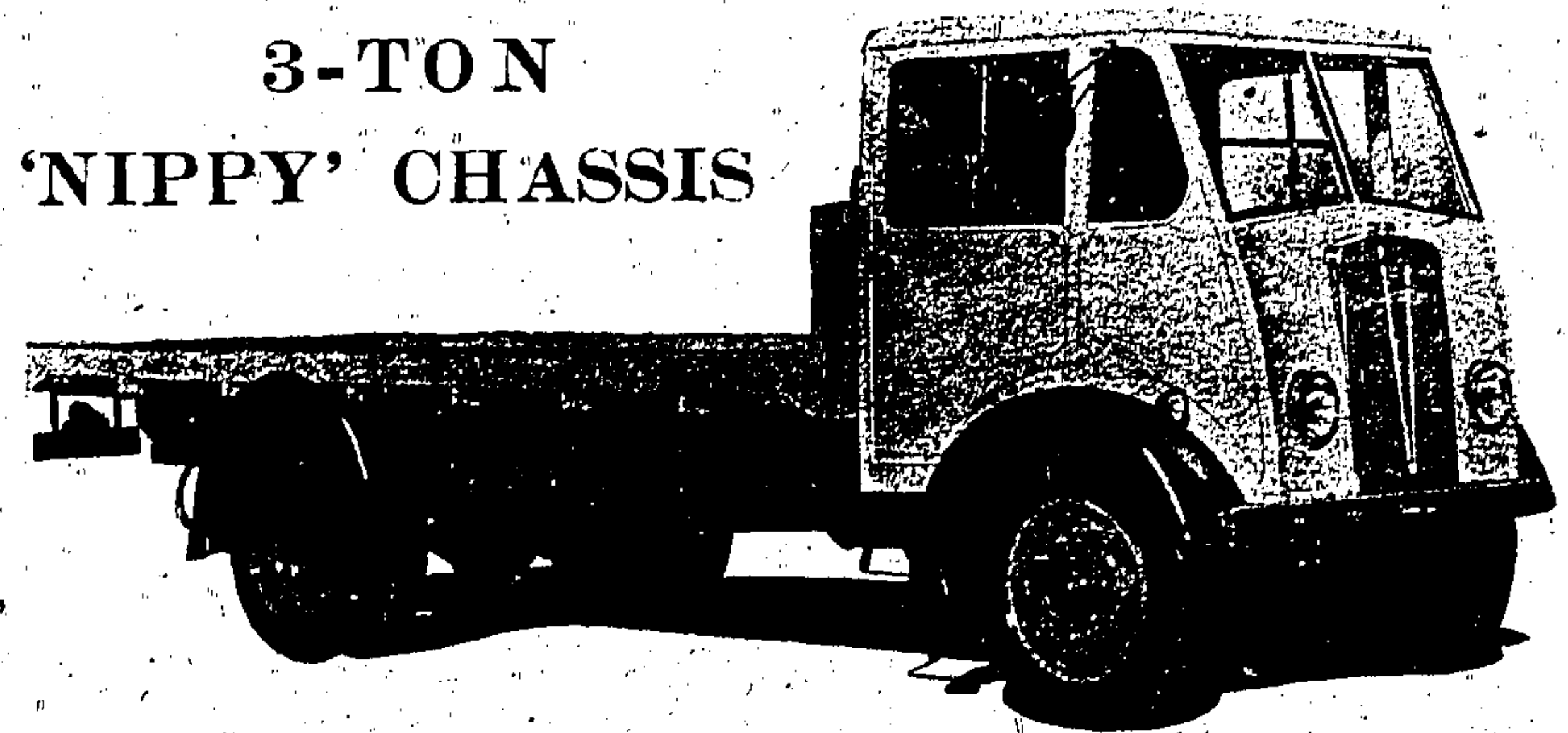
WENDELL WILLKIE IN LISBON

LISBON, Jan. 26 (Reuter).—Mr. Wendell Willkie, who arrived in Lisbon by Clipper from America on Friday, stated yesterday he hopes to proceed to London as soon as possible. Mr. Willkie is carrying a message from President Roosevelt to Mr. Winston Churchill.

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ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

AT CENTRAL

EXPULSION ORDER

Seen by a detective on the early morning of Jan. 24 at the rear of No. 22, School Street, Tai Hang, Luk Chi-ko, 27, unemployed, was arrested and brought before Major A.N. Macfadyen on Saturday on charges of loitering with another not in custody between sunset and 4 a.m., and possession of a butcher's knife for an unlawful purpose.

Sgt. Pockson, prosecuted, said that besides the knife, a piece of black cloth was found in his possession when he was arrested. Defendant pleaded: "I was only taking a walk. I did not intend to do any mischief."

Sentence of 14 days' imprisonment on each charge, to be run consecutively, to be followed by expulsion, was imposed. The knife was ordered to be confiscated.

\$1,000 FINE IMPOSED

Chun Lum, 39, cook, appeared before Mr. G.T. Lowry on Saturday on charges of attempting to export on Jan. 24 about 100 bags of flour, by the s.s. Wing Wah, which was not manifested, and without having an export licence from the Controller of Trade.

Pleading ignorance, defendant was fined a total of \$1,000, or six months' imprisonment. The flour, which is valued at \$600, was ordered to be confiscated.

In passing the sentence, Mr. Lowry remarked: "It is still a serious offence, although, if true, you do not know the regulations." Mr. Crutwell, second assistant superintendent of the Import and Export Department, prosecuted.

A NAIVE PLEA

"I do not know that larceny from the person is an offence," was the plea Kwok Sing-man, 24, unemployed, made, when he was charged before Mr. Lowry on Saturday with stealing one hand bag containing \$6.38 from the person of an unknown complainant on Jan. 24 at Queen's Road Central, near the Gough Street steps. He was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

Det.-Sgt. F.W. Fowle prosecuted.

EUROPEAN REMANDED

On the application of Insp. F.I.J. Portallion, Mrs. Lillian Mueller, 30, stenographer of No. 16, Fort Street, charged with breach of the Defence Regulations, was remanded on bail for a week by Mr. Sheldon on Saturday.

CASE WITHDRAWN

The Police offering no evidence, Li King-yuen, 23, clerk, charged with unlawful possession of 19 rounds of gas cartridges, was discharged by Mr. Lowry on Saturday.

Application for the confiscation of the ammunition was granted.

BANKRUPTCY COURT

WORLD TRADING CO.

That his liabilities amounted to \$43,053 and his assets, including book debts, amounted to \$2,400 were revealed at the Bankruptcy Court on Saturday by George Leung, alias Leung Yat-ho, proprietor of the World Trading Co., before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, in connexion with an application brought by the Wing Fund Trading Co., a creditor, for his adjudication in bankruptcy.

Leung stated that he started, his own business in Oct. 1938 with a capital of \$5,000. After the outbreak of war in Europe he suffered continual losses through increases in freight.

Cross-examined by Mr. D. B. Evans, who appeared for the British and Foreign Insurance Co. and the New India Insurance Co., two of the creditors, Leung said he borrowed from his uncle \$34,000 which was lost in his business between September, 1939 and Sept., 1940.

Leung said that he was formerly employed by the Wing Fung Trading Co., the petitioning creditor. He denied that he was a partner in that firm.

The public examination was adjourned to the next bankruptcy sessions.

PAU HIN-SHO

An application for discharge from bankruptcy brought by Pau Hin-sho, managing partner of the Cheong Loong Bank (the Shun Loong Bank), through his solicitor, Mr. F. I. Zimmerman, was granted by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Bankruptcy Court on Saturday, subject to six months' suspension.

KOON AH RUBBER FTY.

An application for withdrawal of a petition for the adjudication in bankruptcy of the Koon Ah Rubber Factory made by Mr.

Alfred Y. Hon, on behalf of the Tak Sing Co., the petitioning creditor, was adjourned by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Bankruptcy Court on Saturday, in order that an agreement may be drawn up by the parties.

CHIU KONG

In his public examination at the Bankruptcy Court on Saturday before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, in connexion with an application by Wong Lam, petitioning creditors, for adjudication in bankruptcy, Chiu King, partner of the Hing Cheong Co. (the Shing Kee Co.) said that he lost his business because of the drop in the prices of old newspapers in Jan., 1940.

Chiu stated that he had \$1,000 share while his partner, Chu Chiu-tin, had \$9,000 shares.

The firm exported old newspapers and imported sweets and biscuits. During the first three years they made enough to cover expenses but suffered continued losses after the prices of paper dropped.

Chiu denied that he had any share in the Kwok Man Restaurant which was solely the affair of his partner.

Mr. J. B. Prentis, the Official Receiver, applied for an adjournment, to communicate with the directors of the Kwok Man Restaurant, which was granted.

AT KOWLOON

GAOL FOR SOLDIERS

Two soldiers of the Middlesex Regiment, Richard Head, 23, and Ralph Aldridge, 24, who had been convicted of obtaining credit from Kowloon Hotel by fraud and malicious damage of a padlock, appeared before Mr. E. Himsforth on Saturday and were additionally charged with obtaining credit of \$13.20 from the Blue Peter Cafe, Nathan Road, by fraud.

Det.-Sgt. Matches, prosecuting, said that defendants went with two others to the Cafe about 10.30 a.m. on Jan. 17. They ordered four glasses of Singapore Gin Sling and were handed the bill. After consuming them second defendant ordered two more. When the bar boy asked them for payment they were alleged to have refused to pay. They continued to order drinks which the manager refused to serve.

After further evidence given by Mr. Shuster, manager of the Cafe, and two bar boys, Capt. Marsh, who appeared for the Military authorities, asked his Worship to take a serious view against defendants. Det. Marsh said that the defendants were of the bullying, gangster type, and military punishment seemed to have no effect on them.

Defendants were each sentenced to two months and a week in prison for obtaining credit by fraud on two occasions and for damage of the padlock.

EMBEZZLEMENT CHARGE

Two billiard room boys of the Y.M.C.A., Leung Wing-kuen, 18, and Lau Chau, 23, were charged before Mr. Himsforth on Saturday with embezzlement of \$313.85 from the Y.M.C.A.

Defendants were each ordered to sign a personal bond of \$100 to be of good behaviour for one year and to pay \$100 compensation to the Y.M.C.A. of two months in prison.

Det.-Sgt. A. Bethell prosecuted.

WOULD-BE ROBBERS

Wong King, 23, Lo Lun, 26, and Lo Ping-pung, 42, appeared before Mr. K. M. A. Barnett on Saturday on a charge of conspiracy to rob the occupants of a house at Prince's Terrace. Second accused was additionally charged with possession of two knives at Canton Road, while third defendant was additionally charged with possession of a dagger.

Chief Detective Inspector A. E. Carey asked for a remand of three days which was granted.

SELF-DEFENCE PLEA

Hearing of the case in which Feroz Shah, 40, watchman of Oriental Tobacco Factory, who was charged with wounding Lam Yam was concluded before Mr. Barnett on Saturday. Defendant was fined \$25 or a month in prison and to pay \$10 compensation to complainant.

Before passing sentence Mr. Alfred Y. Hon, who appeared for defendant, submitted that defendant stabbed Lam Yam only in self-defence since not only the foks of the shop but also the on-lookers were pushing defendant.

SERIOUS CHARGE

A fireman attached to the Central Fire Station, Fok Hang, 26, and two actors, Chan Chung-yau, 24, and Li Hing, 20, appeared before Mr. Himsforth on Saturday for another remand of seven days.

Defendants were charged with conspiracy to procure a 20-year-



USING up all his ammunition, the young pilot of this Hurricane drew alongside a Messerschmitt 109, waggled its wing against the Nazi plane, and clean cut off its tail, causing the enemy to fall into the Channel.

FORMER H.K. BOY KILLED

News has been received in the Colony of the death of a former local boy, Kenneth Jenner, who was killed in England during an air raid. Mr. Jenner, who was engaged in A.R.P. duties, was killed by the explosion of a bomb.

The late Mr. Jenner's parents were connected with the Kowloon Docks. He was educated at the C.B.S. and was one of the founder members of the St. Andrew's Troop of Boy Scouts.

INTERNEE CAMPS VISITED

An inspection tour of Argyle Street Camp, Ma Tau Chung Camp and King's Park Camp was made by the Vice-Commissioner of the National Relief Commission, Mr. Wat Yang-kwong, Commissioner to Yung, 8th Relief District of the Emergency Refugee Relief Committee, Mr. H. L. Wong, National Red Cross Society of China and their aides-de-camp, under the escort of the Director of Medical Services on Thursday.

At the Argyle Street Camp, the visitors took a great interest in the various activities in which the interned Chinese soldiers were engaged. After visiting the hospital, school, living quarters, interned's Court of Justice, vegetable garden, industrial shop and garden, they watched a gymnastic display a playlet and a basketball match by the internees.

It is understood that further visits to other camps will be made by Mr. Wat during his sojourn here.

old spinster, Tam Fung-ping, to have unlawful carnal connexion with second defendant and with threatening complainant with injuries with intent to alarm her.

Hearing was provisionally fixed for Feb. 6 at 2.30 p.m. Mr. Hin-shing Lo will appear for first defendant, while Mr. M. A. da Silva will prosecute.

Bail was reduced to \$150 each, defendants were previously on \$250 bail.

MARINE COURT

COXSAINS FINED

Fung Luk, coxswain of the motor boat "King 4", Chan So, coxswain of the steam launch "Hato Maru", and Shek Yau, coxswain of the launch "Hongkong Hotel" were fined \$10 each at the Marine Court yesterday for having approached within 30 yards of a vessel flying the "B" flag over code pennant in Victoria Harbour of Jan. 16.

STEERSMAN SENTENCED

Ho Ping, steersman of cargo junk No. T2408H, and another defendant were fined \$5 or 5 days each by the Marine Magistrate on Saturday for having anchored their junks at a distance less than 100 yards from the low water mark off Yen Chow Street, Shumshui, between 9 p.m. on Friday and 5 a.m. on Saturday.

New Entry Condition

The following was published in the Government Gazette Extraordinary of Saturday:—

It is hereby notified for general information that, in consequence of the failure certain persons who have been given temporary permission to enter this Colony under the Defence (Entry Restrictions) Regulations 1940, to provide themselves with documents which will enable them on leaving this Colony to proceed elsewhere, it has been found necessary, before such permission is given to any person to land in Hongkong, to require him, as one of the conditions on which alone such permission will be given, to deposit, or if necessary to obtain and deposit, with the police or immigration authorities in this Colony his passport or other travel document, a vaccination certificate, a certificate of inoculation against cholera and any other papers which may be required to secure his entry into the country of which he is a national or the place of his embarkation or his destination.

POSTAL RATES INCREASED

Increases in local, Empire and foreign postage rates were announced in today's Government Gazette.

The charges effective from February 1, are as follows:

LETTERS

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Rates for China and Macao raised from 5c to 8c per oz. Foreign rates raised from 25c for the 1st oz. to 30c for the 1st oz. only.

THREE WEDDINGS AT REGISTRY

Marriages at the Registry on Saturday were:

Tse Fook-wing, merchant of 54 Kennedy Road and Miss Oyang Tsui yu, of 56 Kennedy Road. Mr. S. Yat-pan, staff of the Bank of China, residing at 58 Gloucester Road, and Miss Ha Yuen-wan.

Pte. D. P. Carter, R. S. and Miss Mimmie Fong of No. 299, Hennessy Road.

Mr. J. Reynolds, Deputy-Registrar of Marriages, officiated.

LINGNAN ALUMNI ASSOC. REUNION

The Lingnan University Alumni Association held a reunion at the Ritz on Saturday evening at which more than 200 alumni and their friends and relatives attended.

In addition to community singing and other entertainments Mr. Ng Pak-tsau rendered two vocal solos.

Dr. Y. T. Tsang, president of the Association, presided.

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JAPANESE FIRE HONGKONG JUNK: \$63,700 CARGO LOST

A total of \$63,700 was lost when trading junk No. T2218H was destroyed as a result of Japanese outrages.

This included a cargo of wood oil valued at \$50,000, the junk itself at \$2,000, and armament on board estimated at \$1,700.

According to a report made to the Police by the master, Choi Chung-cheung, the junk was sailing off Man Shan, Chinese territory, at 2 p.m. on Jan. 19, when four Japanese boarded from a trawler. The whole crew was ordered into a sampan, after which the junk was set on fire.

H.K. DEFENCE RESERVE

Mr. S. Randle has been re-assigned from the General Group for Essential Services to the Key-Posts Group in the Hongkong Defence Reserve.

The following have been re-assigned from the General Group for Essential Services to the Combatant Group: Messrs. Colin Cairns, D. G. Cairns, John Dickson, D. L. P. Edwards, O. F. Hamilton, W. L. Morrison, A. G. Parker.

The following have been permitted to quit the Hongkong Defence Reserve: Messrs. R. Grimshaw and J. MacDonald.

Mr. G. H. Sullivan has been re-assigned from The Combatant Group to the General Group for Essential Services.

Japanese Elections Postponed

TOKYO, Jan. 26 (Reuter).—The Japanese Government has formally decided to extend the tenure of office of the Lower House members by one year, postponing the general election which was originally scheduled to take place this coming April.

A bill to this effect has been sent to the Privy Council for approval, following which it will be referred to the Diet for its final passage.



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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be HELD at the Hongkong Hotel, Hong Kong, on TUESDAY, the 11th February, 1941, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a statement of accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1940.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 1st February to TUESDAY, 11th February, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS
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General Managers.

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CHINESE NEW
YEAR DAY

TO ALL our Chinese readers

"KUNG HAY FAT CHOY," meaning "Wish you good luck and prosperity" or the wish that is more commonly used nowadays, "Kung Ho Sun Hay" which translated into English means, "Felicitations for the new year."

THE CHINESE nation today celebrates the New Year Day, the first day of the first moon of the lunar year Sun Chi. The Chinese look upon the New Year as being foremost among all festivals in their lunar year. It is a day of celebration when greetings are exchanged with traditional ceremonial. Families foregather for feasting and each member of the family is attired in his or her best garments.

THE SIGNIFICANCE of this great day has been somewhat dimmed by the economic conditions prevailing in Hong Kong and the rising cost of living. The New Year Fair, always a centre of much attraction, especially to foreigners, held in the Wanchai district this year was not on such a lavish scale as in past years. Residents will recall the magnificent and picturesque fairs held in past years in the vicinity of Bonham Strand East. The comparatively small fair this year, as in the past two years, is solely attributable to the Sino-Japanese war which is now in its fourth year. China's need for war relief is ever growing and to the various appeals for aid there has been spontaneous

LORD LLOYD'S
MESSAGE TO
HONGKONG

I am happy to send you my warm congratulations on the hundredth anniversary of foundation of the Colony of Hongkong.

The times are not propitious for any elaborate celebrations of the centenary, but I know the ceremony by which you intend to mark the occasion will express to the full the pride we can justly feel in the achievements of a hundred eventful years.

The scene which a hundred years ago met the eyes of the small British landing party was that of a desolate barren island with a sky line of high broken peaks.

Today they would recognise only the sky line; they would see with admiration, though not perhaps with surprise, a great port, with modern docks and wharves, a flourishing commercial and administrative capital, and a well armed fortress. These are monuments which honour, more eloquently than any words, those who for the first hundred years of British rule guided the destinies of the Colony and raised it to a proud place in the forefront of great world centres of trade finance and industry.

ANGLO-CHINESE CO-OPERATION These have been built on firm and sure foundation of co-operation between the British and Chinese people. This co-operation has not been and cannot be limited to the confines of the Colony. Hongkong, with its shipping and trade interests, with fine conception of its University, with its traditions of order, culture, humanity and tolerance, cannot fail to wield a wide, powerful and growing influence in the Far East. It must look far beyond its own borders to fulfil its true destiny.

Hongkong has been a fortress for many years. During the peril we have lately experienced we too have come to think of Great Britain as a fortress. From that fortress I send you this message of greeting and congratulation; and I add our thanks for the generous gifts and messages of encouragement and support you have sent to us. They hearten us against whatever trials may lie ahead. They are a happy augury for the future, when we shall embark on our common task of rebuilding in the days of peace.

FUNERAL OF MRS.
JAMES MING

The funeral of Mrs. James Ming, who died at the age of 61 of malignant malaria at No. 14, Chatham Rd. on Jan. 24, took place at the Protestant Cemetery on Saturday. The service at the graveside was conducted by the Rev. H. A. Wittenbach.

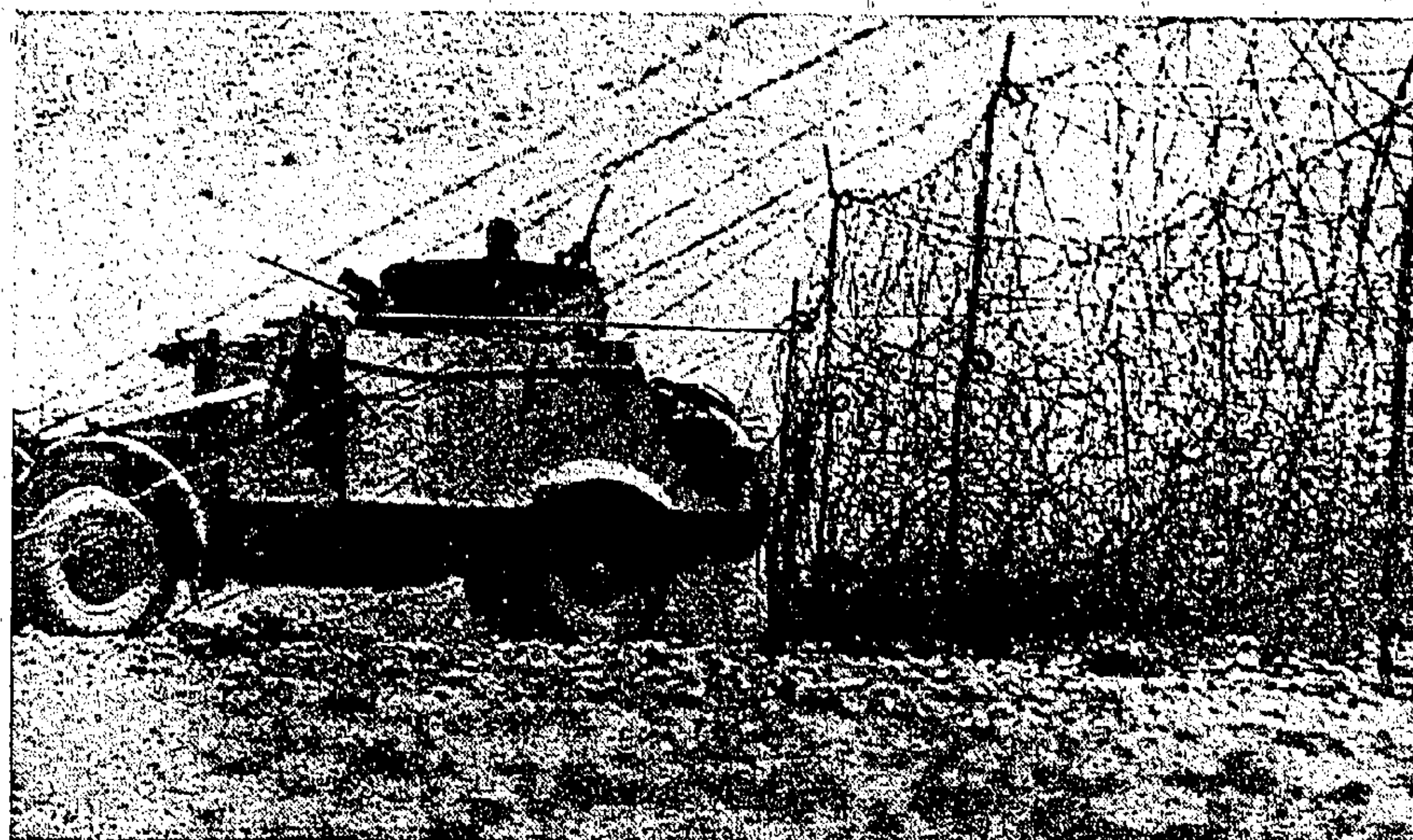
Besides the chief mourner, Miss Sue Ming, daughter of the deceased, others present included Mr. and Mrs. V. Chan, Mrs. Arthur Woo, Mr. and Mrs. S. Ng Quinn, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Poy, Mrs. Sylvia Choy, Mrs. Alice Chow, Mrs. Rose Chow and Mr. A. O'Hoy.

Many wreaths were sent.

support from the Chinese nationals throughout the world.

THE CUSTOM of collecting and settling all debts by midnight on New Year's Eve has been modified to such an extent that defaulting debtors are no longer ostracised from business circles. This apart, the various ceremonies pertaining to the Spring Festival, such as ancestral worship and the family reunion feast, are still strictly adhered to. It is usual for the master of a shop to give a sumptuous repast to his foks on the second day of the New Year during which he would give notice of dismissal to any of those whose services he no longer wishes to retain. In Chinese, this is known as "Mo Ching Kai" which, in English, means "inconsiderate chicken."

IT IS ALSO on this day the New Year officially commences. Whilst the nation is at present fighting a magnificent battle of resistance against aggression the importance of New Year is not lost sight of. Amid China's trials and tribulations, the peace-loving nations throughout the world will join today in wishing her 450,000,000 souls happiness, peace and prosperity in the year that lies ahead.



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Asst. Secretary.

ANOTHER C.N.A.C.
PLANE REPORTED
TO HAVE CRASHED

Encountering a thunderstorm between Kwelyang and Kwelin on Thursday night, another Hongkong-bound aeroplane of the China National Aviation Corporation was reported to have crashed and burst into flames during an attempted forced landing.

The crew of four and one of the two passengers, who were reported to be Government banking officials, were killed.

However, the local offices of the Corporation were not able to confirm or deny the report up to last night.

It may be recalled that a C.N.A.C. machine was forced down in a thunderstorm near Shukwan on Wednesday night. After repairs to the damaged wireless apparatus had been effected, the plane resumed its flight the following morning and arrived in Hongkong on Friday.

NEWSETTES

A very successful dance, to the strains of music by the band of the Royal Scots, was held at the Kowloon Cricket Club on Saturday night when over 100 persons attended.

Mr. R. A. C. North has been appointed to act as Colonial Secretary with effect from Jan. 25.

Mr. B. C. K. Hawkins has been appointed to act as Secretary for Chinese Affairs, in addition to his other duties, with effect from Jan. 25.

Mr. A. B. Purves has been appointed to be Accommodation Officer, vice Mr. H. J. Pearce, M.C., with effect from Jan. 10.

Circumstances have made it necessary for His Excellency the Acting Governor to change the date of his visit to "The Thief of Baghdad" at the King's Theatre from Jan. 29 to Jan. 30, 1941.

Volunteer Blood Donors
Begin To Play Part

Several Singapore volunteer blood donors who have registered for war work have already begun to play their part. A Chinese clerk from the Municipality has given his blood in an attempt to save the life of a poor patient who had undergone an operation at the Tan To'k Seng Hospital some time ago. Others have given blood to provide the serum for the grouping of other people's blood.

These facts were revealed by Dr. G. V. Allen, head of the Blood Transfusion Service, in an interview with the Malaya Tribune. Dr. Allen deplored the poor response to the numerous appeals for blood donors.

The total number who had offered themselves up till Dec. 31 last year was 2,572, of whom only 2,171 had been registered. The remaining 401 were not registered either because they were not suitable or because they failed to turn up.

Of the 2,171 registered donors, actually only 1,100 will be fully available immediately an emergency is created, as the remainder are already in the Volunteers or the Emergency Services, while others have fallen in health and were at present unsuitable.

There was an urgent necessity for at least 3,000 more donors, said Dr. Allen.

The present available total is made up as follows:—

	Male	Female
Europeans	577	469
Chinese	604	41
Eurasians	148	51
Indians	323	4
Malays	68	0

Dr. Allen suggested that those women who had registered with the Secretariat should go a step further and take this opportunity of doing another "service," which was urgent and useful.

It was obvious that over 400 European ladies who had registered with the Secretariat had not become blood donors, and Dr. Allen appealed to them to register as soon as possible.

VERY URGENT

The Blood Transfusion Service was a very urgent and useful service in case of an emergency, and it took very little time and the minimum of inconvenience to register.

Dr. Allen also pointed out the huge difference in the proportion of males and females who had registered among the Asiatic races, and appealed for more Asiatic women to turn up as blood donors.

He emphasised the fact that in case of an emergency the present potential supply of blood would be inadequate. Singapore would not be able to supply any isolated part of Malaya where it was practically impossible to start a similar local service.

It should therefore be regarded as a duty for every able-bodied person to register as a blood donor.

Dr. Allen said that recent reports from England of blood transfusion done in France during the hostilities revealed amazing results and proved that the service was of the greatest value.

Numerous lives had been saved and "dead" men had been brought to life.

The lessons learnt were:—

- (a) There must be plenty of blood for transfusion purposes;
- (b) It must be widely distributed, for the sooner the transfusion is done the better is the chance to save life;
- (c) To save lives, large amounts of blood must be given to the patient, sometimes necessitating three or four donors' blood.

Books of the Day

New Fiction

By GEORGE W. BISHOP, in the
Daily Telegraph

Don't, Mr. Disraeli! By Caryl
Brahms and S. J. Simon.
(Michael Joseph, 8s 6d.)

These witty collaborators, authors of that hilarious thriller "A Bullet in the Ballet," have written a really amusing skit, not only on Victorian life but on the literature of the period.

The whole thing is entirely inconsequent. Among the characters who thread their way into the story are such real and fictional celebrities as Oscar Wilde, Max Beerbohm, Sherlock Holmes, E. C. Bentley (with a new clerihew) and even Harpo Marx. In the background there is Queen Victoria, writing innumerable letters to Uncle Leopold, and Mr. Disraeli plays an increasingly important part.

There is an elaborate plot about a pair of "star-crossed" lovers and a feud as intense as that between the Montagues and the Capulets, and the whole of the very successful and highly entertaining joke is completed by apt quotation and footnotes. This is a book to enliven black-out nights.

The Gallions. By Robert Liddell
(Cape, 7s 6d.)

In his third book Mr. Liddell more than fulfils the promise of his two previous novels. Again he tells a simple little story, and again he brings to his people and the uneventful situations in which they find themselves such a quiet and ironic humour that the slightness of the tale is hardly apparent. Rather more robust than the others is the middle-aged glances of a woman, the manhunter, Margery Cantillon, who proposes to the quavering High Church cleric and loses him when he decides to go into retreat.

A Song of the Tide. By Ernest
Raymond. (Cassell, 9s 6d.)

Although the writing is rather self-conscious and there is little preparation for the tragic ending, Mr. Raymond has written a very readable story about common-place people: Roddy, a grocer's assistant with thwarted inspirations, and Fav, the cinema attendant whom he marries. The South London background has interest and authenticity and here is a whole gallery of well-drawn characters.

Moon Tide. By Willard Robertson.
(Hamish Hamilton, 8s.)

It is not often that one comes across a novel which succeeds so well as this one in doing what it set out to do. The ability to tell a delicate tale in a rough setting is peculiarly American—witness "Of Mice and Men"—and "Moon Tide" is in the front rank of that tradition. Mr. Robertson's chief characters "The Swede," who looks after a Californian bait-boat, and Ada, the girl he rescues from suicide by drowning, are mere human footsams. But they are vividly alive and deeply pathetic in their brief interlude of happiness.

LOW-LEVEL AIR ATTACKS
AND THEIR SIGNIFICANCE:
AN EXPERT'S VIEWS

"New machines and new methods—that sums up the way of the R.A.F. at the present moment," said MR. OLIVER STEWART, aeronautical expert, when he spoke of the significance of British daylight raids in a broadcast from London on Saturday.

"Mr. Stewart made particular reference to the Spitfire 3 which, he said, has a top speed of 400 m.p.h. It was similar to the original Spitfire, but had its wings clipped and was shorter and stubbier and, he thought, a little uglier.

GREAT SIGNIFICANCE

"The biggest event of the air war in the past few days," Mr. Stewart began, "was the way in which air supremacy was won in Africa, in the attack on Tobruk. The reason why I have chosen this event is the enormous significance it has for the future."

Mr. Stewart proceeded to deal with two small sweeps made by the R.A.F. over occupied France and explained that a fighter sweep was made in looking for enemy aircraft. If the trouble does not come up to the R.A.F. they go down to look for it.

"They dive down on enemy aerodromes, transport columns and troop concentrations and machine-gun them. They do a great deal of damage and get back safely. To the material damage must be added the moral damage. It is true that a machine-gun bullet seems very small beside a bomb but the effect is considerable because it intensifies the personal effect. To take cover from a low level machine-gun attack is very difficult. Lying down in the open is useless, and taking cover under aeroplane wings is not altogether effective, because aeroplane wings do not stop bullets, as the plane itself is the object of the attack.

LOW-LEVEL ATTACKS

"Low-level machine-gun attacks are much more effective than may be thought at first sight. Aerodromes are extremely difficult to attack from the air and dive-bombing is the best method. If the aerodrome can send up some fighters the ordinary bombers can be shot down. Apart from that the placing of bombs is a matter of great difficulty because the aerodrome hangars and the aeroplanes themselves are dispersed around the edge of the aerodrome. "No aerodrome has its planes massed at one point. I expect the Germans have by now adopted our dispersal system."

Mr. Stewart pointed out that British fighters in making dive attacks had to come down and face heavy ground fire and had to take the risk of being met by enemy fighter planes.

"Bombing is not a good way of attacking an aerodrome," said Mr. Stewart. "It does little damage to the machines and runways can be repaired extraordinarily quickly."

MODERN VERSION

Mr. Stewart said that the Hurricane pilots last Wednesday came down very quickly to a low level and it was a modern version of the single-handed attacks on German aerodromes in the last war.

"When taking off the best aeroplane in the world cannot defend itself," said the speaker, "and in the last war we used to go over in the morning and cruise about until we saw a German machine about to take off. Our pilots used to sweep down then and open fire and a large number of planes were destroyed by a handful of our pilots in this way. Polish pilots did

the same thing on Wednesday with success and attacked two Messerschmitts and other aircraft on the ground."

"This method of aerodrome attack by fighters seems to have great possibilities for the R.A.F. and I think we can see it being developed.

In the first place, a fighter, if it attacks an aerodrome, is more vulnerable than a bomber because if the aerodrome sends up its fighters they won't have an easy job. Although machine-gun bullets are not heavy they are heavy enough to destroy an aeroplane and can be aimed with greater precision.

FIGHTERS WITH CANNONS

"Another thing is that both the Spitfire 3 and Hurricane 2 now have cannons and it is obvious that fighters with cannons will be able to attack aerodromes more effectively than fighters with only machine-guns. I can see great possibilities for low-flying attacks by fighters with cannons and it seems highly probable that we shall make good use of these in raids and we shall be able to put some check on the enemy night bombing. The cannon-bearing fighter should be able to do the work without heavy casualties."

Mr. Stewart explained that the Hurricane had a cruising range of 850 miles in flying when the full throttle is used and petrol consumption had to be taken into account when mapping out a course. When adequate margins were allowed, 200 m.p.h. was possible.

The Blenheim, twin-engined fighter had a range of 1,125 miles with a radius of action of 300 miles. The shorter the distance from which a machine could work the better and British raiders should reach out well into occupied France.

ANOTHER ASPECT

"And now there is another aspect of the two small sweeps of Wednesday and a much bigger sweep about a week ago," said Mr. Stewart. "In no case was there any opposition in the air. No German fighter formations challenged them."

"That is extraordinary as the Germans have been boasting of their astonishing observation methods which were supposed to prevent a single machine from raiding the country. The Germans hate to be interrupted and they feel that it is inconsiderate of any enemy to interrupt them."

"They are working for new air invasions on here or in the Balkans and that is exactly why we must and will harass them at every opportunity. It is important that we seize the initiative and derange their plans and make them turn from planning to the immediate defensive."

"We cannot expect too much of the R.A.F. but the bad weather at present does not permit of a sustained major offensive."

"We must continue to build up our air force to a great strength and with this strategy we shall certainly carry the air war into enemy territory. Then the signal will be given and the R.A.F. will go into action."

"It is better to upset the general preparations and retard and muddle them," concluded Mr. Stewart. "That I think is the deeper meaning of these daylight sweeps."

Whiteoak Heritage. By Hazo de la Roche. (Macmillan, 7s 6d.)

This fresh instalment of the Jalna saga jumps the reader back to the years after the last war, when Renny, demobilised, returns to set his house and family in order. All the Whiteoaks are there in force, from 94-years-old grandmother to the 4-years-old Wakefield a detestable child. It gives a new impetus to the plot, three newcomers are planted in the neighbourhood, and having stirred up a welter of emotional complications the intruders depart, leaving the Whiteoaks, like a waxwork family tableau, unaltered and unchanged.

(Longmans, 7s 6d.)

The victim is Bruce Denton, a philandering lazz agent, and his murder is discovered by Ted and Elsie, out for an enjoyable Sunday on a tandem bicycle. There are any number of suspects, and Dr. David Winttingham has a good

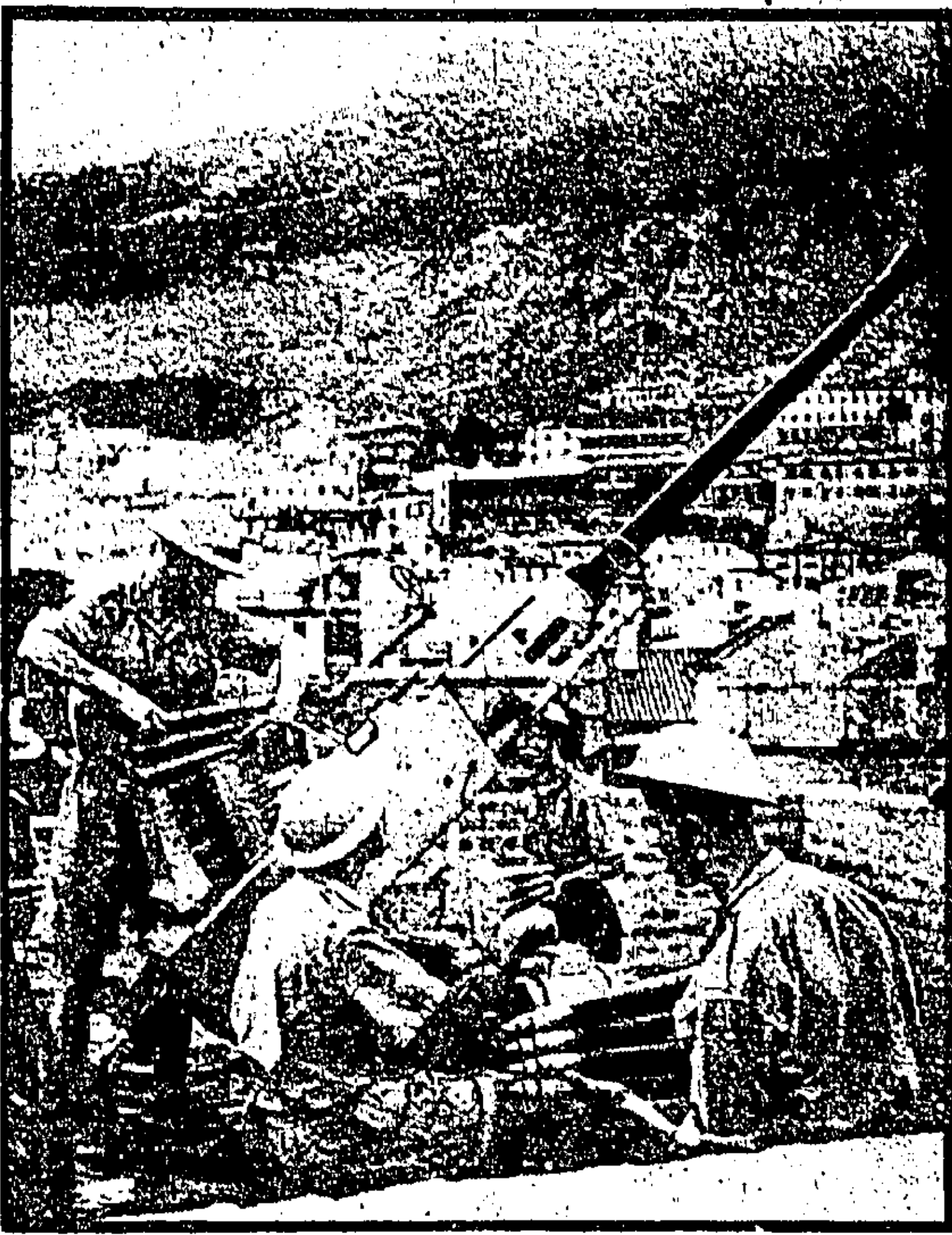
time unravelling the clues. Miss Bell is a good writer as well as a skilful weaver of plots, and is scrupulously fair in using red herrings of a strictly legitimate variety.

The Department of Queer Complaints. By Carter Dickson. (Heinemann, 7s 6d.)

A collection of first-rate short detective stories. Most of these centre round a genial Scotland Yard official who "has investigated a disappearing room, chased a walking corpse and found an invisible piece of furniture." The volume also contains a number of Mr. Carter Dickson's ghost stories.

Jorkens Has a Large Whiskey. By Lord Dunsany. (Putnam, 8s 6d.)

My own favourite among this collection of 26 stories told by Lord Dunsany's Mr. Jorkens is about that immortal character's tale of the Gulf Stream.



Standing by one of the A.A. guns that would help to repel any aerial attack on Gibraltar.

Sly Brothel Inmates Bought By Mistresses

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Another benefit which the licensing system would confer on girls would be the assurance that none under 16 years of age would be permitted to practice this trade. It might shock "Anti-Slavery" to know that female children of 11 or 12 years of age have been found to be suffering from V. D.—not innocently but through prostitution, as the records, if available, of some of the "Homes" to which these poor children have been sent to would show.

In this connexion, it would be most interesting to know what were the findings of the Commission appointed by Government in 1938 to go thoroughly into the question of prostitution and V. D. in Hongkong. This Commission's report has never been published.

EDUCATION NO SOLUTION

Education has never been, and can never be, the sole solution of any problem. Propaganda work has been tried by Government in their attempts to reduce tuberculosis, cholera, and other malignant diseases, with only a small measure of success.

To ensure the effectiveness of any remedial action Govern-

ment might decide to take the necessary legislation, making V. D. a notifiable disease and its treatment at clinics compulsory, must be passed.

This seemingly harsh measure could be supplemented by preventive education, conducted by ladies, in the form of lectures on the seriousness of the disease; moving pictures; and illustrated books. As some 90 per cent. of the girls are unable to read or write, printed literature would be a waste of public funds.

GOVERNMENT CONTROL

But, both preventive and curative remedies could only be applied if the girls are under the control of Government and not scattered all over the Colony as they are at present.

Terrorism Flares Up In Shanghai

SHANGHAI, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—Terroristic activities flared up again today with the commencement of the holiday celebrations.

Starting in the evening and continuing throughout the next few hours bombs were hurled at six well-known Chinese-owned cabarets here, wounding eight Chinese, two seriously. Fires were started, damaging the buildings.

Five of these were in the International Settlement and the remaining in the French Concession. The motive is not known but it is believed that certain Chinese elements wished to dissuade the people from spending money on amusements instead of assisting their country.

WILLKIE WANTS ALL AID

Mr. Wendell Willkie, who is on his way to London by Clipper, told newspapermen in Lisbon that he was going to England to find out what he could and to see how American assistance to Britain could be multiplied, states a London message.

"I want Britain to prevail. I am against the policy of appeasement and I am all out for complete aid to Britain," he said.—(Special)

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IMMORTAL MEMORY COMMEMORATED AT PENINSULA HOTEL

Witty Speeches Mark Convivial Function

The Burns' Night Dinner of the H.K. St. Andrew's Society, held at the Peninsula Hotel Rose Room on Saturday night, was the occasion for a very convivial gathering and some very interesting and witty speeches in conjunction with the Toasts of the evening.

The Chieftain of the Society, Mr. B. Wylie, presided, and among the many notable personalities present were Sir David Owen, Sir Atholl MacGregor, Commodore A. C. Collinson, Lieut.-Col. D. J. MacDougall (Royal Scots), Mr. I. C. F. Bellamy (President of St. George's Society), Mr. C. E. Terry (President of St. Patrick's Society), Hon. Dr. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke, Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell, Hon. Mr. A. V. Shields, Hon. Mr. C. G. Perdue, Mr. Addison E. Southard and Lt.-Col. H. B. Rose.

The Chieftain proposed the Toast to "The King" and called upon Prof. W. Brown to propose

the Toast to "The Immortal Memory."

In proposing the Toast, Prof. Brown said, in part:—

"Contemplating the world chaos in which our lot is cast, we inevitably recall the strikingly similar distress, confusion and ferment at home and abroad that formed the background to the short career of Burns. And so, tonight, my purpose is to survey that background, political, social and economic, and to treat of Burns himself, less as a poet than as a man and citizen."

The year of Burns' birth, 1759, saw the capture of Quebec, and the consolidation of British power in Canada. Burns has more than one reference to Wolfe's campaign, the most familiar being in the first song of the "Jolly Beggars."

AMERICAN REVOLUTION Burns was a youth of seventeen, and nearing the end of the dismal Mount Oliphant period, when the revolt of the American Colonies brought fresh confusion and distress to his native land. It is said to have cost Glasgow—then a rising town of some 35,000 inhabitants—a cool million sterling, in lost trade and repudiated debts.

Now what had Burns to say about the events of his own time? Taking first his attitude to war in general, he had no delusions about its "glamour." He knew only too well that it produced poverty and suffering, and filled the land with broken men and destitute women such as he immortalised in "The Jolly Beggars."

The finest tribute from another poet is surely that of Swinburne. He calls the poetry of Burns "Golden speech that takes no rust from creaking years."

TO THE LASSIES Mr. J. A. D. Morrison proposed the Toast to "The Lassies," suggesting "a pity it is that we don't have Burns with us in these times as there is no lack of material for him and his song writing. He could have sung to his heart's content, and our great enjoyment about his Marys in Jodhpurs or Jessies in the A.R.P. and I feel sure that our Hongkong Nursing Detachments would have inspired him to reach his Mary Morrison level."

Mr. H. L. Mackenzie, replying to the Toast, said "The Lassies, I am sure, sympathise with Mr. Morrison's wish for Burns in present-day Hongkong."

OF BURNS

Actor-Pilot On Taranto Feat

A reconstruction of the Fleet Air Arm's attack on Italian warships at Taranto, when three battleships and other vessels were put out of action, was broadcast by Lt.-Cmdr. Anthony Kimmins, the dramatist and film actor.

He served for several years as a pilot in the Fleet Air Arm and has had considerable experience of torpedo-carrying planes.

Describing the attack, during which the British planes descended as low as 200 ft., he explained that torpedoes dropped by aircraft were propelled through the water by their own engines and were kept on their course and at the correct depth by complicated mechanism.

"They had to be aimed carefully and 'nursed' into the water at a reasonably slow speed and from only just above the surface."

The aircraft must be steady on its course for some moments before launching the torpedoes. She would then be under the point-blank range of enemy gunfire.

ROAR OF ENGINES

Lt.-Cmdr. Kimmins described the scene on board the aircraft-carrier as the planes took off. The order "Start up" transformed the quiet of the flying deck into an inferno of roaring engines as the planes prepared to take off at the Deck Officer's signal.

"At last they were over the harbour," he continued. "First the bombers got busy, dropped parachute flares to light up the target, then aimed and dropped their bombs, and, incidentally, tried to draw the enemy fire. Then the leader of the torpedo machines gave the signal 'Down we go!'"

"Now of all forms of air attack there are few quite so thrilling as the dive with torpedoes. You have an enormous feeling of superiority, both from your height and your speed. The ships look tiny down below, and even if they are steaming 'full on!' their speed in comparison to your own seems nothing."

SINGING-IN DIVE "Your engine is throttled back and your nose stuffed down to the maximum diving angle as you try to force the speedometer needle off the clock. The flying wires between your main planes are screaming as they tear through the air. Most pilots shout or sing as an accompaniment."

"Six thousand feet, five, four, three, two, one.....Now is the time to steady-up for the final approach. By 800 feet you're right in the thick of the muck. By 200 you're banking steeply on to the line of fire, and as you come into it you're immediately checking speed to nurse your fish into the drink."

"Then comes the great moment. You're at the right height, headed in the right direction and within torpedo range. Will you drop now while the going's good or run the gauntlet a little closer and make dead sure of it? You hang on. Now you're in to only a few hundred yards. All right! Let her go."



The Earl of Athlone, Governor-General of Canada, pictured with Air Vice-Marshal L. S. Breadner, Chief of the Air Staff, at Royal Canadian Air Force headquarters at Ottawa.

"There's a sudden feeling of buoyancy as the weight of the torpedo is released. Then the steep, climbing turn away and the agonised suspense as you look back over your shoulder at the spot where your torpedo plunged in. If she's running true she'll find her depth in a few seconds and you'll see a streak of bubbles as she races through the water. Yes, there she goes, heading straight for the target."

"The pilot by now is taking frantic avoiding action from the point-blank enemy fire. The observer, being hurled from side to side of his cockpit, has his eyes glued to that streak of bubbles. He yells down the speaking tube to the pilot: 'She's running—it's all right—she's running—there she goes—she's hit!'"

"And, from all accounts, that was the popular cry that night at Taranto; that night, which gave the Navy yet another chance of going in to attack; that night, which so altered the whole balance of Mediterranean sea power."

Lt.-Cmdr. Kimmins paid a tribute to the men who look after the torpedoes. Without their accuracy the result would have been a failure, however, carefully the pilot had aimed and whatever risks he had taken.

FANLING HUNT

POINT-TO-POINT RESULTS

By Ratcatcher

Under ideal conditions the FANLING HUNT held their first point-to-point yesterday. The course started at the back of Kidney Hill and finished on the Kwantli Race-course.

The results: 1st The Hongkong Club—Snake Pit; Miss Beryl Fair, on Colorado Star, and Capt. P. J. T. Skipwith, on Bingo; 2nd Royal Scots "A"—Capt. H. C. Harland, on Teviotdale, and B. A. Fergus, on Spectrum; 3. Cottage Club "B" Team—R. H. Blake, on Venture, and P. Calderara, on Gold Currency.

Individual placings:—1st R. H. Blake on Venture, 2nd D. G. E. Middleburg, on Herge; 3. Miss Beryl Fair on Colorado Star. Seventeen teams started.

Three distinct routes were chosen, and at the finish there was little to choose between them. The two veterans—A. H. Potts and H. C. Macnamara—finished fourth, a good deal out of breath but five years younger for it.

At the start, the "Charge of the Light Brigade" was not in it. With dust flying, the cavalcade made its way to the railway crossing at the Lowu Brickworks, and thence by devious routes to the finish. There were a few casualties, but no one was seriously hurt.

THE PRIZES After the race, at the "Hunters Arms," Mr. H. C. Macnamara called on Mrs. Stanton to give away the prizes, cups to the winners, beer tankards for seconds, and string riding gloves for third.

It is seldom that such a crowd has been seen at the Hunters Arms and one individual was heard to remark that he had never seen so much "cold tea" drunk there before.

At various intervals, bits of sad-die appeared in the hands of the local farmers, who would only give it back at a price. The next point-to-point will be run on Feb. 23 and it is hoped that we can provide some more good sport.

Hitler And Mussolini Must Sink Or Swim Together, Says Mr. Steel

"SIGNOR MUSSOLINI IS SHREWD ENOUGH TO SEE THAT WITHOUT HIM HERR HITLER'S NAZIISM MIGHT ALSO BE LOST. They are both in the same boat and must sink or swim together."

The above is a passage from MR. H. WICKHAM STEED'S weekly broadcast talk in the series "World Affairs," which in the absence of Mr. Steed, who was stated to be indisposed, was read by a B.B.C. announcer in London on Friday.

Mr. Steed's talk went on to declare that the Italian people would not take kindly to German tutelage and, Signor Mussolini felt that he might be able to strike some kind of a bargain with Hitler.

FRENCH ATTITUDE

For Hitler's part he would, perhaps, decide to help Signor Mussolini if he was sure of getting full collaboration by the French. But with every disaster to the Italians, the unwillingness of the French people to become Hitler's tool was steadily increasing.

"We know very little of what is happening in France, but the little we do know is enough to show that Herr Hitler has still not been able to get what he wants from the French. If this is really so, and if Herr Hitler still hopes to retrieve the position in the Near East he would perhaps be advised to undertake some action in the Balkans as well as upon us."

ROMANIAN POSITION

Mr. Steed then turned to events in Rumania and declared that though it was difficult to say what was actually happening there, it was clear that a civil war had practically broken out in the country. It seemed to be a struggle

between those who wanted a German brand of Nazism and those who wanted a Rumanian form of Nazism.

"Many better men than Herr Hitler have burned their fingers in trying to solve the Balkan problem," said Mr. Steed, "and Herr Hitler may also find the Balkan pot too hot to hold."

Herr Hitler's arrogant belief in the superiority of the German race may be rudely shaken when he tries to impose this on a people who have tasted independence.

TURKEY TO BE CONSIDERED

"Accidents like that have happened before, and I should not wonder if of that kind happens in Rumania. It is a difficult thing to impose one's will in a country which is torn by internal strife."

"And behind any idea of a Balkan venture there is Turkey to be considered. One of the greatest mistakes a European political leader can make is to imagine that the people of the Near East have no will or mind of their own."

"Since the brilliant victories of General Wavell in Libya, the Turks and the Arabs and the Muslim world have seen that Herr Hitler is clearly on the defensive and that an Axis victory is most improbable. Herr Hitler's invincibility looked more than a little vague to them now."

ABYSSINIA

Mr. Steed then commented on the recent developments in Abyssinia and gave a brief history of the country. He recounted that when Abyssinia was abandoned by the League of Nations and subdued by Signor Mussolini in 1936, a wave of anger had swept through the country against the nations which had permitted this to happen.

"Now, however, the British forces are fighting to help Emperor Haile Selassie to regain his country," said Mr. Steed.

Mr. Steed referred briefly to the first defeat of the Italians by the Abyssinians in 1894. At that time he was the correspondent of The Times and he related how a great battle was fought out at Kassala, which was recently recaptured from the Italian forces by the British.

"I spent a number of anxious days during that time before I could persuade the Italian Government to abandon Kassala," said Mr. Steed and related how a suggestion he had made for the erection of a memorial at Kassala had been frowned upon by Lord Kitchener.

"I wonder," concluded Mr. Steed, "whether the British forces which entered Kassala recently, found this monument in the place."

Thailand & Indo-China To Come To Conference Table

TOKYO, Jan. 26 (Reuter).—With the formal acceptance of the Japanese Government's proposal to settle the border dispute between Thailand and Indo-China peacefully, the Thai Government has begun preparations for armistice negotiations with Indo-China.

Japan's position of leadership in East Asia is recognised in the Nichi Nichi comment in editorials. Bangkok/Vichy action accepting Japanese mediation in the Indo-China/Thailand dispute, the Jap-



Latest air raid shelters in London.

Huge American Criminal Organisation Revealed

In the United States, sharing the news headlines with the war in recent weeks has been one of the most fantastic stories of crime ever unfolded to the American public. It is a tale that might have been penned in collaboration by Conan Doyle and Edgar Allan Poe, so complicated and clever is the detective work involved, so sinister the characters, so unbelievable the extent, violence, and diabolism of the action.

Before the bar of justice have come some of the leading figures of a criminal network overshadowing even the great racketeering organisations that flourished in the prohibition era of a generation ago; and ahead at least four of a coterie of assassins possibly without rival since the days of the Condottieri have been sent cursing and raving to the electric chair.

"Murder, Inc." is a name for this ring, whose operations have proved that crime, like business, has outgrown its days of "rugged individualism" and moved on to the greater glories of monopoly. Confessions by leaders of "Murder, Inc." revealed a highly-organised business operating rackets in every large city and industrial area of America; an organisation, that trained its personnel had its own code of conduct, and killed on contract.

It is a grotesque caricature of American big business, and its ramifications are almost as manifold. Today it is almost impossible for a gangster, big or little, to conduct an independent racket. Whether he runs a lottery which nets millions or a peanut machine that brings in fifty dollars a week, he can work his scheme only with the permission of "Murder, Inc." or the "Combination" as it calls itself. The leaders grant territories for the operation of the rackets. The nation is divided into zones, each with a leader and staff. These leaders direct all schemes and fix the percentages to be paid to the "Combination." They also direct the killings of those who fall foul of their rules.

The killings—and they are numbered by the score—are merely by-products of the rackets. The sphere of the "Combination's" influence includes gambling, prostitution, traffic in narcotics, lotteries, and usury. By sheer force it also dominates trade union locals and has a financial stake in various night clubs and cabarets. It operates certain legitimate business enterprises and "muscles in" on others, where it exacts tribute from honest business men by threats or use of violence. Through its control of slot machines it collects pennies even from the school children of the nation. And, not least, through its connexion with corrupt political groups, it plays an important and sinister role in urban government.

ICE-PICK CLUE

Recently public attention was centred on the trials of four members of "Murder, Inc." who had been caught in the net of evidence gathered by District Attorney William O'Dwyer, of the Borough of Brooklyn, in the City of New York, and two of his assistants, Solomon Klep and Burton Tarkus. Last winter District Attorney O'Dwyer set out to stop a wave of racketeering in his borough. There had been a number of unexplained murders, with petty racketeers the victims. Their bodies were dumped from speeding automobiles into main streets. There were no clues. And in the underworld none would talk.

The entire detective force of the borough and its scientific laboratories were placed at the disposal of the District Attorney's office. A speck of rust in a stab wound led to the discovery of an ice pick tossed into a trash barrel. The ice pick gave up the trace of a fingerprint, and into the clutches of the law fell a murderer.

Enough evidence to involve the higher-ups was drawn by the District Attorney and his assistants from this main one. Abe Reles, known in the underworld as "Kid Twist," this slight, kinky-haired, brown-eyed gangster, flat-nosed and with low, wrinkled forehead, began his criminal career in 1920 at the age of 13, as a runner of bootleg whisky. He had been arrested 43 times on every charge ranging from juvenile delinquency and disorderly conduct to murder, the latter no less than five times, but he went free on all, except five minor charges.

From "Kid Twist" came the story of the "Combination," or "Murder, Inc." Much of the information he gave led to the arrest and conviction on murder charge of Harry ("Happy") Makine and Frank ("The Dasher") Abbandando. They were accused of killing a fellow-gangster named George Rudnick in 1937, because he had turned informer to the police. The prosecutor presented evidence that Rudnick had been

SEVEN DEATH SENTENCES

52 Years' Hard Labour Passed On 22 Accused

Seven men received the death sentence, 22 were sentenced to a total of 51 years and 10 months hard labour, and four men were acquitted, at the December Criminal Sessions.

The men sentenced to death were Lau Fat, Cheung Kai-sau, and Cheung Sau-fat; Wu Leung; Lui Shek, Tam Wing-kit, and Chan Fel, who were defended at their respective trials, by Messrs. D. J. N. Anderson (instructed by Mr. H. L. Kwan), T. F. Lo (Mr. A. el Arcull), Hin-shing Lo (Mr. J. M. Hall), Percy Chen (Mr. Alfred Y. Hon), H. Macnamara (Mr. M. A. da Silva), George She (Mr. F. X. d'Almada), and H. Somerset-Fitzroy (Mr. Kan Yuet keung), respectively.

Cheung Wan, charged with wounding with intent, received seven years' hard labour; while Man Shui was sentenced to six years' hard labour on three charges—shooting at Sgt. Matheson, robbery, and possession of arms and ammunition. His accomplice, Man Hung, was sent to prison, with hard labour, for three years.

ROBBERY, ARMS

An Nam, charged on three counts of robbery and one of possession of arms and ammunition, was sentenced to 33 months and 12 strokes of the cane; and "Sol" Sul-lau, Lau Kau, Mok Keli, and Wong Choi, received 30 months each for participating in a lunk robbery.

Luk Wing and Wong Sing were sentenced to 27 months' hard labour, and 12 strokes of the cane, on two robbery charges; and Mak Kam-sau was gaoled for two years for robbery and possession of arms and ammunition, as did Yau Kau for similar offences.

Wan Lam-yeung and Pun Yung were each sentenced to 18 months' hard labour for robbery, while Wong Sang received 15 months and 12 strokes for robbery, with violence.

For possession of forged 10-yuan notes, Chan Hung was sent to gaol for 15 months; and a like sentence was passed on each of five returned banished—Li Tong, Lai Wa, Man Wang, Kung Tak-on, and Li Tong.

Tam Ying and Yeung So were sentenced to 12 months and 12 strokes, each, and Chan Kai to 12 months, on a robbery charge.

SHANGHAI TAILOR

Chu Chung-wing, a Shanghai tailor, was sentenced to six months for possession of a revolver.

The only men to be acquitted were Hui Hung, charged with possession of arms and ammunition, and Wu Kwai, 30, Wu Fong, 29, and Wu Yan-lee, 34, who were found Not Guilty on a charge of robbery.

With the exception of those charged with murder, none of the defendants were legally represented.

"FUNIETY"

Varied and unique are the many items in the programme of "FUNIETY" which is being presented at the China Fleet Club Theatre at 9-15 p.m. on Saturday Feb. 1, in aid of the BOMBER FUND.

The artists appearing include Monty Dittin, Micky de Sousa, Maude Minnie Mather, William Knight, "Les" Gibson, Gertrude Goddard, John Gilechrist, Bill Samways, George Frost, Doris Shields, Frank Lee, Freddy Archer, Gaston D'Aquino, K.O. Nell Shaw, Stanley Hinchliffe, "Myst" The Memory Man (who exhibits his talent in an entirely new act) Allison Fish, and David Kossick who is also producing the show.

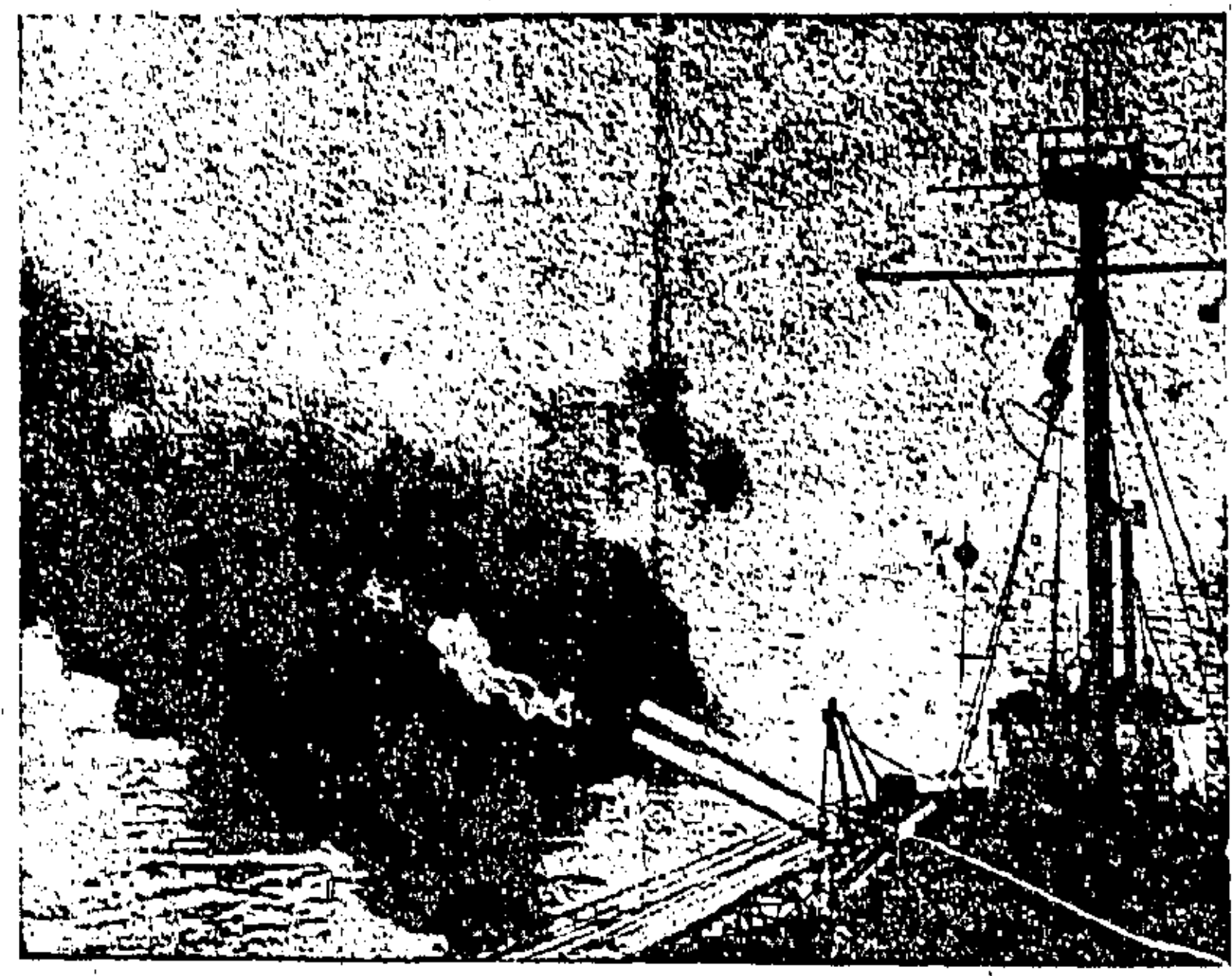
Humphrey Ramage is the stage manager and the lighting effects are being arranged by Mr. R. C. Butler.

All seats are bookable in advance at the Anderson Music Company, 10 House Street.

POLICE ACTION AGAINST STREET ROLLER-SKATING

Following receipt of complaints from many residents, the police are adopting effective measures to put an end to roller-skating in the streets.

As a result, the Police have taken out summonses against five Portuguese children including a girl, who, it was alleged, had caused annoyance to pedestrians by skating on the pavement in Hillwood Road.



The 15-inch guns of a British battleship bombard Barad.

CHINESE NEW YEAR CELEBRATIONS AND SUPERSTITIONS

"KUNG HAY FAT CHOY"

This will be the greeting among the Chinese population today when they observe the New Year on the Lunar Calendar. The Chinese are a more realistic people; they wish each other richness instead of happiness as the Europeans do.

Custom dies hard! The Chinese public still insist on celebrating the festive season inherited from their ancestors despite the fact that the Chinese Government has for years tried to abolish the Lunar Calendar.

Most of the Chinese business settle their accounts only once in a year's time and this being the case creditors will play a seek-and-hide game with the debtors on the New Year's Eve when the latter have to clean up their year-old debts. Once the new Year comes the debtors would be relieved because they have another year to go before they are again pressed for the debts.

REUNION DINNER

The "family reunion dinner" was the most customary item on New Year's Eve when every member of the family gathered together to partake of the dinner. Families, rich and poor, prepared the most delicious food. Some very poor families, which may not have meat for the whole year, will see dishes of meat and chicken lying on the table.

In the olden times, after the dinner, male members of the family would go out shopping for "New Year goods" while the fair sex would stay behind waiting the dawn of the new year. Hundreds of stalls were erected in the Wan-chai and Mongkok districts for the display of goods.

The Eve was not without fun for the children. Holding lanterns in hands, they paraded in the evening to "sell laziness." It is believed by superstitious parents that youngsters who sell their laziness on New Year's Eve, will forever be diligent.

"Lucky money" is another welcome gift for the children. Some naughty children will say a person has no "luck" if lucky money is not given.

But a bachelor or spinster will never give "lucky money" to children!

SUPERSTITION

Chinese are famous for their superstition. On New Year's Day a Chinese mother will advise her child not to leave any rice in the bowl for leaving a single grain

"Kung Hay Fat Choy"

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Trade Commissioners Entertained

At the Ritz Restaurant on Saturday the Indian Association of Hongkong and South China entertained Mr. V.G. Bowden and Mr. P.V. McLane, the Australian and Canadian Trade Commissioners, respectively, and Mr. K.F. Key, secretary of the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce to a luncheon party.

The guests were welcomed by Mr. G.T. Assomal, Vice-President of the Association, and Mr. K.B. Valdia, the Secretary.

In a short speech Mr. Valdia emphasised that social contacts between representatives of the British Empire were essential to the much needed and much talked of unity of the Empire.

Mr. Bowden, Mr. McLane and Mr. Key suitably replied.

NO PARADES FOR TRAINING CADRE

The Military Authorities inform us that there will be no parade of the H. K. V. D. C. Training Cadre and Company on Chinese New Year, Jan. 27 and Jan. 28.

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FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

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On London:—	
Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 7/8	
Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 7/8	
Credits 4 months' sight	
On Shanghai:—	
On demand 420	
On Singapore:—	
On demand 52 3/4	
On Japan:—	
On demand 102 1/2	
On India:—	
Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 7/8	
and demand 1/2 7/8	
On New York:—	
Bank Bills, on demand 23 1/2	
Credits, 60 days' sight 24 1/4	
On Batavia:—	
On demand 44	
On Paris:—	
Bank Bills, on demand Nom.	
Credits 4 months' sight Nom.	
On Saigon:—	
On demand 102	
On Manila:—	
On demand 47	
On Bangkok:—	
On demand 145 1/2	
On Sterling Notes:—	
Bank Buying Rate Nom.	
Bar Silver per oz. 33 1/4	

Market Report

FROM ROZA BROS.
January 25.
Silver prices rose 1/16 yesterday for both deliveries, the quotations being 23 1/4 for Ready and 23 1/8 for Forward. A small business was done. The market was steady but quiet. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.
The London-New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York-London was quoted at 403 1/2.

MARKET

STERLING

No business was reported. There were sellers at 1/3 January-April buyers at 1/3 1/32 Cash.

U. S. DOLLARS

Some business was done at 23 7/8 for Cash. The market closed with sellers at 23 7/8, buyers at 23 15/16 for Cash.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Opened with sellers at 435. Business was arranged at various rates and at the close there were sellers at 438, buyers at 439 for Cash.

SHANGHAI MARKET

Opened with sellers at 37 1/16. Last advices reported sellers of Sterling at 327/64 for Spot, U.S. Dollars opened with sellers for Spot at 515/32. At the close there were sellers at 517/16 for Spot.

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Jan. 25 (Reuters).

Official T.T. Rates

	Opening	Closing
London	0/3-5/16	0/3-5/16
New York	5-1/4	5-1/4
Japan	22-1/4	22-1/4
India	18-3/8	18-3/8
Paris	nominal	nominal
Hongkong	22	22

Sterling

	Opening	Closing
Spot	0/3-7/16	0/3-27/64
Jan.	0/3-7/16	0/3-27/64
Feb.	0/3-13/32	0/3-25/64

U.S. Dollars

	Opening	Closing
Spot	\$5-15/32	\$5-7/16
Jan.	\$5-15/32	\$5-7/16
Feb.	\$5-7/16	\$5-3/8

Market: Uncertain

Note: The Shanghai exchange market will remain closed on Jan. 27, 28 and 29.

Silver Duty Rate

The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. The Equalisation rate was 23 1/2 per cent.

India Rupee Paper

Bombay, Jan. 25 (Reuters). Govt. 3 1/2% Rupee, 95-01-0.

Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, Jan. 25 (Reuters). T.T. on Japan, 81-1/4.

SILVER MARKET

BOMBAY SILVER

Bombay, Jan. 25 (Reuters). Market: Quiet but steady. On-take 30 bars.

Indian Mint Silver

Ready 63-02
Feb. 21 Settlement 63-01
Mar. 25 Settlement 62-09

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

NEW YORK, Jan. 25, 1941.	High	Low	Prev. Close	Today's Close	Change
New York Cotton, March	10.44	10.40	10.45	10.40	.05 off
New York Rubber, March	19.43	19.37	19.27	19.42	.15 up
Chicago Wheat, May	86 1/2	85 1/2	85 1/2	85 1/2	1 off
Chicago Corn, May	63 1/2	63	63 1/2	63	1 off
New York Hides, March	13.00	12.98	12.98	13.00	.02 up

NEW YORK COTTON	Close	Opening	Closing	Change
March	10.45/45	10.43/43	10.40/40	.05 off
May	10.46/46	10.45/45	10.43/43	.03 off
July	10.37/37	10.35/35	10.34/34	.03 off
October	9.93 N	9.91/91	9.88 N	.05 off
December	9.89/89	9.87/87	9.83/83	.06 off
January (1942)	9.84 N	9.81b/84a	9.78 N	.06 off
Spot	10.94		10.98	.04 up

Total sales Friday:—50,400 bales.

The first notice day for March cotton is 25/2/41 and last day is 14/3/41.

NEW YORK RUBBER

	High	Low	Prev. Close	Today's Close	Change
March	19.27b/30a	19.30b/40a	19.42/42		.15 up
May	19.20b/21a	19.25/25	19.30b/34a		.10 up
July (New contract)	19.10b/12a	19.10b	19.22b/24a		.12 up
September	19.04b	19.14/14	19.15b		.11 up

Total sales:—90 tons.

CHICAGO WHEAT

	High	Low	Prev. Close	Today's Close	Change
May	86 1/2	86 1/2	85 1/2	85 1/2	1 off
July	80 1/2	80 1/2	79 1/2	79 1/2	1 off
September	80 1/2	80 1/2	79 1/2	79 1/2	1 off

Fridays sales:—6,433,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN

	High	Low	Prev. Close	Today's Close	Change
May	63 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2	1 off
July	63 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2	unch
September	63 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2	unch

NEW YORK HIDES

	High	Low	Prev. Close	Today's Close	Change
March	12.98b/13.00a	13.00/00	13.00/00		.02 up
June	12.88b/89a	12.88/88	12.88b/72a		unch

Total sales for the day:—14 contracts.

NEW YORK COCOA

	High	Low	Prev. Close	Today's Close	Change
March	4.95 N	4.95/95	4.66 N		.01 up
May	5.02 N	5.01b/03a	5.03 N		.01 up

NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 3

	High	Low	Prev. Close	Today's Close	Change
March	2.01b/02a		2.02b/03a		.01 up
May	2.06b/07a		2.06b/07a		unch

Volume of business done:—43 1/2 lots.

NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 4

	High	Low	Prev. Close	Today's Close	Change
March	76b/77a	76b/77a	76 1/2b/77a		.00 1/2 up
May	79b/80a	79b/80a	79 1/2b/80 1/2a		.00 1/2 up

Volume of business done:—8 lots.

NEW YORK COPPER FUTURES

	High	Low	Prev. Close	Today's Close	Change
March	11.37b/47a	11.37b/50a	11.41b/47a		.04 up
July	11.30b/40a	11.28b/40a	11.33b/40a		.03 up

N.Y. Official Silver:—34-3/4
N.Y.-London Cross Rate 4.03-1/2

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

London, Jan. 24.

The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.

BUYERS

Hongkong Bank, \$1,405.
Canton Ins., \$210.
Union Ins., \$407 1/2.
H.K. Fire Ins., \$185.
Providents, \$580.
Hotels, \$355.
Humphreys, \$735.
Cements, \$18.10.
Dairy Farms, \$19.20.
Watsons, \$11.10.
Entertainments, \$7.
Constructions (Old), \$1.60.

SELLERS

Docks (Old), \$18.40.
Lands 4% Debentures, 100.
Cements, \$18.35.
Ropes, \$8.35.
Vibro Piling, \$7.70.

SALES

Union Ins., \$410.
Docks (Old), \$18.
Hotels, \$355.
China Lights (Old), \$8.35.

HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume of Business Transacted on Saturday, Jan. 25, 1941.

SALES

H.K. Docks (Old) 100 \$18.00
The total value is \$1,800.00.

LONDON METALS EXCHANGE

London, Jan. 24 (Reuters).

Tin, Standard, Cash, Middle Price, \$256-3/8.
Tin, Standard, 3 months, Middle Price, \$257-3/8.
Market steady.

Bristol Aeroplane 10/3
Imperial Chemical Ind. 30
United Steel 22/9
Woolworths 58/3 1/2
Marsman Investments 7/6
Western Holdings 10/3
Sub-Nigel 152/6
Shell Trans & Trad. 44/6
(bearer) -ex div

Donlop Rubber 34/1 1/2

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

QUOTATION
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

JANUARY 26, 1941.

STOCKS	Last Sale	STOCKS	Last Sale
Jan. 25	Jan. 25	Jan. 25	Jan. 25
Adams Express	6 1/2	Loew's Inc.	33 1/2
Allegheny Steel Co.	23 1/2	Lott Incorporated	17 1/2
Allis Chalmers	34 1/2	Mack Truck Inc.	31 1/2
Aluminum Ltd.	73 1/2	Martin, Glen L.	29
Amer. Can.	90 1/2	McKesson & Robbins, pfd.	26 1/2
American Cyanamid B.	34 1/2	Montgomery Ward	37 1/2
Amer. & Foreign Pwr.	1 1/2	M'tain City Copper Co.	31 1/2
Amer. Locomotive	15 1/2	National Aviation	9 1/2
Amer. Metals Co.	18 1/2	Nat. Dairy Products	13 1/2
Amer. Radiator	6 1/2	National Distillers	22 1/2
Amer. Rolling Mill	14 1/2	National Lead	17
Amer. Sugar Refining	42 1/2	Nat. Power & Light	6 1/2
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	166 1/2	National Supply Corp.	6 1/2
Amer. Tobacco "B"	71 1/2	New York Central	14 1/2
Amer. Waterworks	6 1/2	Niagara Hudson Power	3
Anaconda Copper	25 1/2	N. American Aviation	16 1/2
Atchafalpa T. & S. Fe.	23 1/2	North American Co.	18 1/2
Aviation Corp.	4 1/2	Northern Pacific	7 1/2
Baldwin Locomotive	16 1/2	Owens-Illinois Glass Co.	46 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	3 1/2	Pacific Gas & Elec.	23 1/2
Barber Asphalt Co.	9 1/2	Packard Motors	31
Barnsdall Oil	36 1/2	Pan-American Airways	144
Bendix Aviation	15 1/2	Paramount Pictures	11 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	18 1/2	Pennsylvania R.R.	23 1/2
Bills & Co.	18 1/2	Philadelphia Read. Coal	5/32
Boeing Airplane Co.	18 1/2	Phillips Petroleum	37 1/2
Borg-Warner	18 1/2	Public Service of N.J.	29
Briggs Mfg.	23 1/2	Pullman Inc.	27 1/2
Budd Manufacturing Corp.	4 1/2	Pure Oil	8
Canadian Pacific Rwy.	3 1/2	Radio Corp. of Am.	44
Case, J.I.	54 1/2	Reading Company, Com	14 1/2
Celanese	26 1/2	Remington Arms Co., Inc.	51 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio	43 1/2	Republic Aviation Corp.	4 1/2
Chrysler Corp.	67 1/2	Republic Steel	21 1/2
Columbia Gas & Elec.	4 1/2	Revere Corp.	10 1/2
Commercial Credit Co.	29	Reynold Tobac. "B"	33 1/2
Com. & Southern (Ord.)	1	Safeway Stores	42
Consolidated Edison	24 1/2	Schenley Distillers	10 1/2
Consolidated Oil	5 1/2	Sears Roebuck	75 1/2
Continental Can	38	Shell Union Oil	11 1/2
Continental Oil	19 1/2	Socony-Vacuum Oil	9 1/2
Copperweld Steel	17 1/2	Southern Pacific	10 1/2
Curtiss Wright (C.)	9	Southern Ry \$5 pfd.	23 1/2
Curtiss Wright "A"	28 1/2	Splier Manufacturing Co.	36 1/2
Deere & Co.	21 1/2	Standard Brands	6 1/2
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	17 1/2	Stand Gas & Elec.	1
Douglas Aircraft	74 1/2	Standard Oil of California	19 1/2
Du Pont de Nemours	154 1/2	Standard Oil of N.J.	34 1/2
Eagle Picher Lead	9 1/2	Stone & Webster	7 1/2
Eaton Mfg. Co.	35 1/2	Studebaker Com.	19
Elec. Autolite	31 1/2	Swift International	94 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share	3 1/2	Technicolor	38 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share \$5 pfd.	57 1/2	Texas Corp.	37 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share \$8 pfd.	68 1/2	Texas Gulf Sulphur	37 1/2
Elec. Power & Light \$7 pfd.	33	Timken-Axle	32
Flintkote	14 1/2	Trans-America Co.	44
Gen. Electric	54 1/2	20th Cent. Fox	61
Gen. Motors	34 1/2	Union Bag & Paper Corp.	11 1/2
Gen. Railway Signal	14 1/2	Union Carbide & Carbon	67 1/2
Gen. Tire & Rubber	12 1/2	Union Pacific	81 1/2
Glidden Co.	14 1/2	United Aircraft	41 1/2
Goodrich (B.F.)	63 1/2	United Aircraft Trans	14 1/2
Goodrich \$5 pfd.	19 1/2	United Corp.	1
Goodyear Tire & Co.	14 1/2	United Corp. \$3 cum pt.	27 1/2
Great Northern Iron Ore	27 1/2	United Gas Corp.	13/16
Great Northern (Ord.)	22	United Gas Improvement	10 1/2
Greyhound Corp.	11 1/2	U.S. Industrial Alcohol	26 1/2
Hercules Powder Co.	72 1/2	U.S. Rubber	23
Homestead Mining	50 1/2	U.S. Rubber \$8 pfd.	91
Int Nickel	26 1/2	U.S. Smelting	63 1/2
Inter. Paper & Power	13 1/2	U.S. Steel	67 1/2
Int. Tel. & Tel.	62	Vanadium	31 1/2
Johnsman	33 1/2	Vultee Aircraft	7 1/2
Kennecott Copper	37 1/2	Walworth Co.	5 1/2
Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	37 1/2	Warner Bros. Pict.	34
Lockheed Aircraft	26	Westinghouse Elec.	100 1/2
		Woodward Iron Cor.	30 1/2
		Chase National Bank	
		National City Bank	

DOW JONES AVERAGE

1940/41	Jan. 24	High	Low	Close	Change
High	132.80	111.84	30	132.80	.44 up
Low	32.67	22.15	20	32.67	.17 up
Dow Jones Averages	29.43	29.72	29.50	29.45	.13 up
Industrials	20.35	20.51	20.35	20.45	.10 up
Utilities	81.92			81.92	
Bonds	64.07	48.47	11	64.07	.16 off
Commodity Index	56.71			56.71	

Business Done:—220,000 shares

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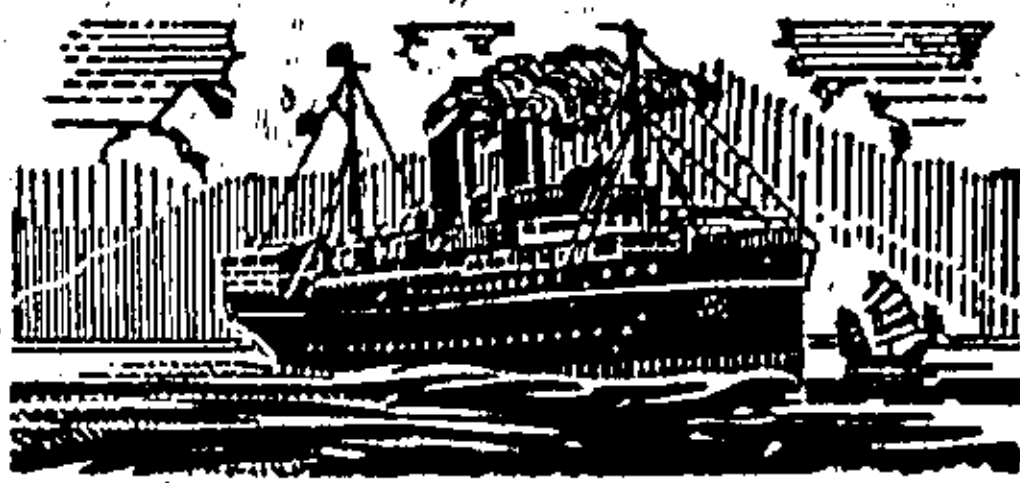
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1.13 Popular Ballads.

1.30 Reuter & Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Dance Music by Roy Fox and His Orchestra.

2.15 Close down.

5.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Tchaikowsky — Aurora's Wedding—Ballet Music.

7.00 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay — 'Questions of the Hour.'

7.30 Portuguese Programme.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Variety.

9.00 London Relay—The News—and News Commentary.

9.30 London Relay — Talk: 'Scots Abroad.'

9.45 Mary Kay (Contralto), Joseph Hislop (Tenor) and The Pipers of the Cameron Highlanders.

10.15 Aldershot Tattoo, 1938.

10.35 Light Orchestra Selections.

11.00 Close down.

URBAN COUNCIL MEETING

A meeting of the Urban Council will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 29, at 4.15 p.m.

Orders of the day:—Application for an eating house licence for No. 49, Main Street, Stanley, ground floor; Application for a food shop licence for No. 801, Canton Road, ground floor; Regular Returns.

WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory

10 a.m. Jan. 26.

Barometer (at sea level), 30.27 ins.

Temperature, 56 F.

Humidity, 84 per cent.

Wind Direction, ENE

Wind Force (Beaufort), 3.

Temperature: Maximum yesterday, 59 F.

Temperature: minimum last night, 54 F.

Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10th today, nil.

Total rainfall since January 1st, 3.78 ins.

Against an average of, 0.68 ins.

Sunset tonight, 6.08 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 7.04 a.m.

Barometer (at sea level), 30.15 ins.

Temperature, 60 F.

Humidity, 83 per cent.

Wind Direction, E.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 4.

Maximum temperature, 60 F.

Minimum temperature, 54 F.

Rainfall, nil.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 27 Jan. to 2 Feb. 1941.

Days of Week	Date	HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
		Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Mon.	27	h.m.	ft. in.	h.m.	ft. in.
		10 27	4 6	03 39	0 7
		21 27	7 6	14 36	3 2
Tues.	28	11 03	4 7	04 13	0 8
		22 08	7 4	15 17	3 0
Wed.	29	11 38	4 9	04 47	0 7
		22 42	7 2	15 57	2 9
Thur.	30	12 08	4 8	05 17	1 0
		23 14	6 7	16 39	2 9
Fri.	31	12 38	5 0	05 48	1 3
		23 42	6 2	17 23	3 1
Sat.	1	13 07	5 0	06 21	1 8
		00 05	5 6	18 07	3 2
Sun.	2	13 37	5 1	18 57	3 5

NOTICE TO MARINERS

The following notifications have been issued by the Harbour Master, Lt. Cmdr. J. Jolly, R.N.R.:—
Mariners are notified that all vessels from the High Seas making for any port in Fiji must first heave to in the Examination Area at Suva for identification and to receive orders from the Examination Service.

DRIFTING MINE

A drifting mine in Tsun Wan Bay north of Tsing Island has been reported by Tsun Wan Police Station as sighted at 4.15 p.m. on Friday.

BURMA RD. MOTOR TRAFFIC

CHUNGKING, Jan. 26 (Reuter).—Through motor traffic over the Burma Road is said to be one of the major problems settled at conferences between members of the Burmese Government Mission and the Chinese Government authorities which have just been concluded here.

China-Burma border demarcation was discussed with the Chinese Foreign Office while the development of Yunnan mineral resources and the furthering of Sino-Burmese trade were also discussed in detail.

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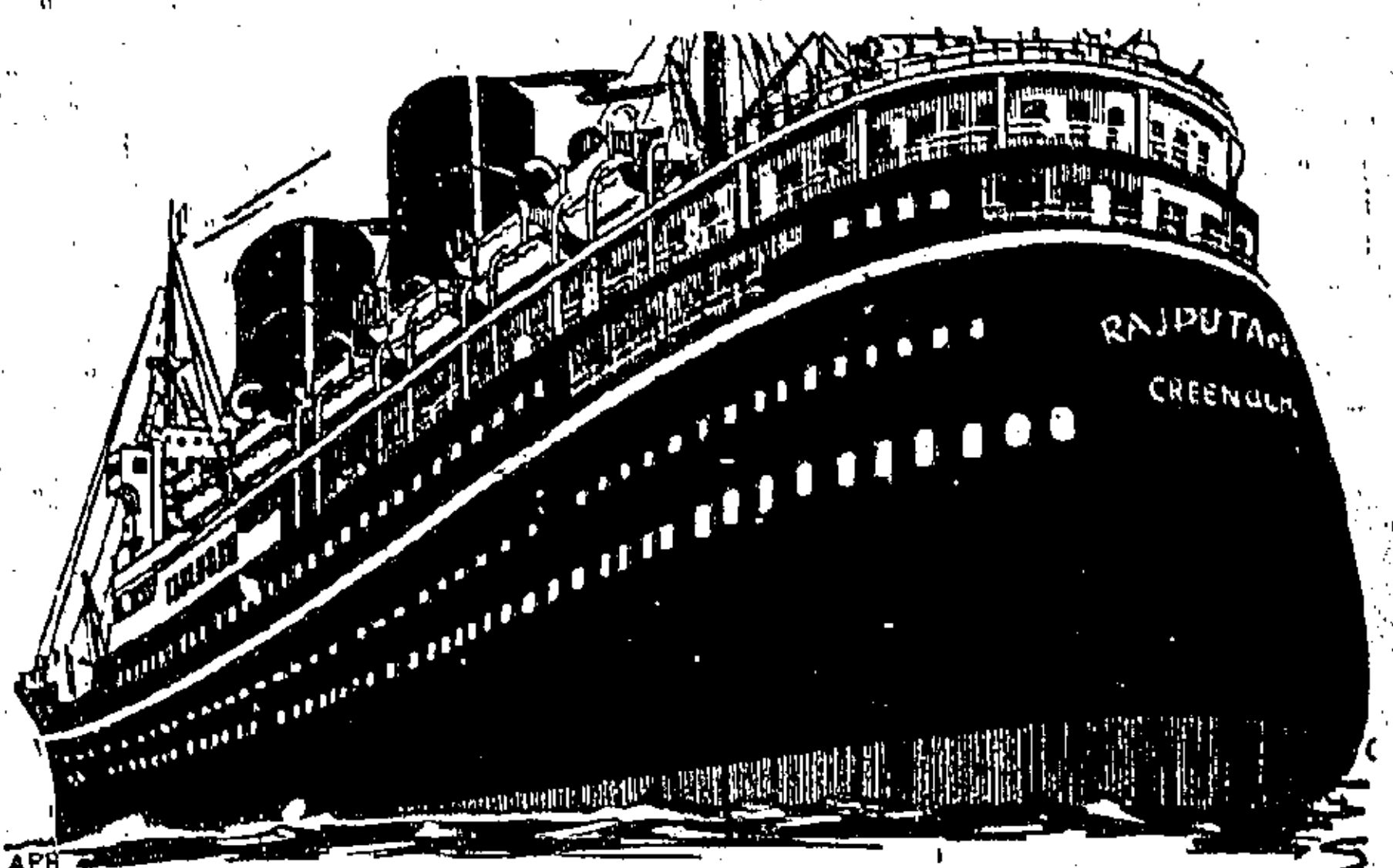
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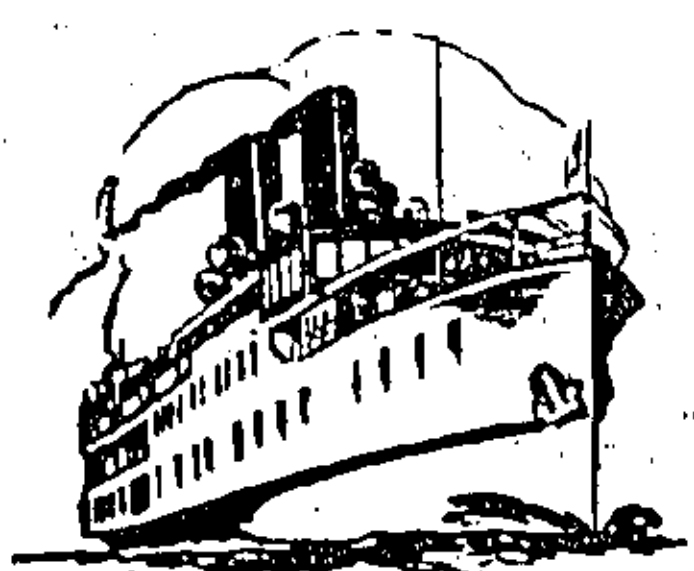
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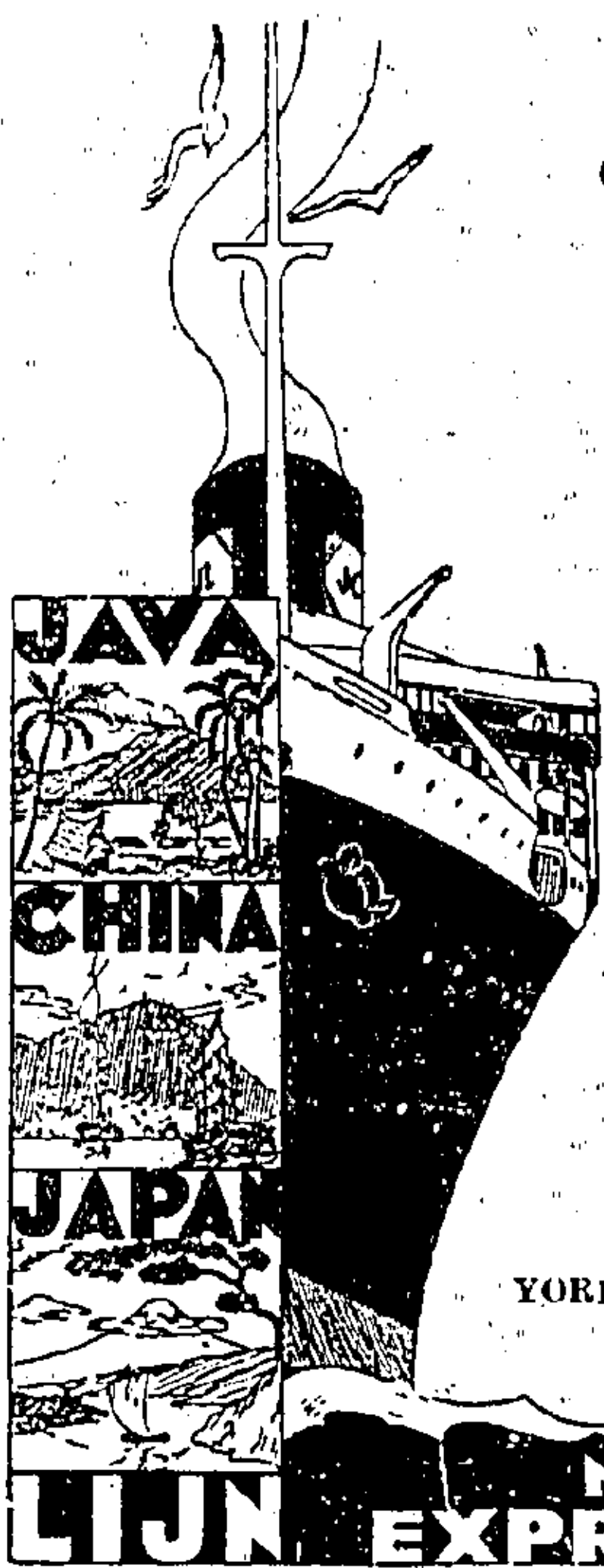
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M.P. for Preston.

INTERPORT HOCKEY TRIAL DISAPPOINTS

A very disappointing hockey trial was witnessed at King's Park on Saturday when the selectors were treated to a very poor exhibition of hockey. Many players selected for a trial failed to put in an appearance and poor play and lack of understanding between players were evident throughout.

The only players to stand out were Bond, at full-back, W. A. Reed at pivot and Brown and Narwant Singh in attack. A further trial will be held on Tuesday. The following players are invited to attend the second trial, which commences at 10.30 p.m.:—
V. M. Benwell (Club), V. C. Bond (Club), J. Gonsalves (Recrelo), Capt. Wood (Rajputs), W. A. Reed (Club), N. B. M. Whitely (Club), Lieut. J. Ross (Punjabs), G. Singh (Khalsa), E. Fowler (Club), H. L. Ozorio (Recrelo), W. Brown (Police), Narwant Singh (Police), Parker (Police), B. I. Bickford (Club), G. Gosano (Recrelo), D. T. Smith (C.B.A.), A. M. Alves (Recrelo), R. J. Reed (Nomads), M. H. Hassan (Khalsa), R. G. K. Thompson (Club), Capt. Parsad (Punjabs), Man Singh (Police), R. Marques (Recrelo), U. B. Souza (Khalsa), and A. E. P. Guest (Khalsa).

INDIAN ARMY TRIAL

The following have been selected to play in a trial to be held at Sookunpoo on Jan. 28 to select a representative hockey side for the Indian Army:—

WHITES:—Hav. Gul Nur (Punjabs); Hav. Duldeep Singh (H.K.S.R.A.); Jem. Hazara Singh (H.K.S.R.A.); L. N. K. Mohd Newza (H.K.S.R.A.); Capt. W. Wood (Punjabs); Hav. Bagh Singh (K.C.M.H.); L. N. K. Muntaz Ali (H.K.S.R.A.); Hav. Faqr Mohd (Rajputs); Hav. Amamat Ali (Rajputs); Hav. Mohd Hussain (H.K.S.R.A.); L.N.K. Mossan Singh (H.K.S.R.A.).

COLOURS:—L.N.K. Mohammed Fazal (H.K.S.R.A.); Capt. Kamla Pershad (Punjabs); Nalk Ajalb Hussain (Rajputs); Hav. Abdul Rahwan (H.K.S.R.A.); Nk. Murad Khan (H.K.S.R.A.); Hav. Dhani Ram (Punjabs); Lt. Ross (Punjabs); Hav. Akram (Punjabs); Hav. Chhajja Singh (H.K.S.R.A.); L.N.K. Manna Singh (H.K.S.R.A.); Gr. Nur Khan (H.K.S.R.A.).

YESTERDAY'S SOFTBALL RESULTS

The following are the results of yesterday's softball matches:—

MEN'S LEAGUE

Senior Division			
	R.	H.	E.
St. Joseph's	4	5	4
Canadian	1	3	1
Indians	11	8	4
Recrelo "A"	6	8	6
Junior Division			
V.R.C.	6	6	5
Chung Hwa	3	5	2
V.R.C.	7	—	—
Liga	—	—	—

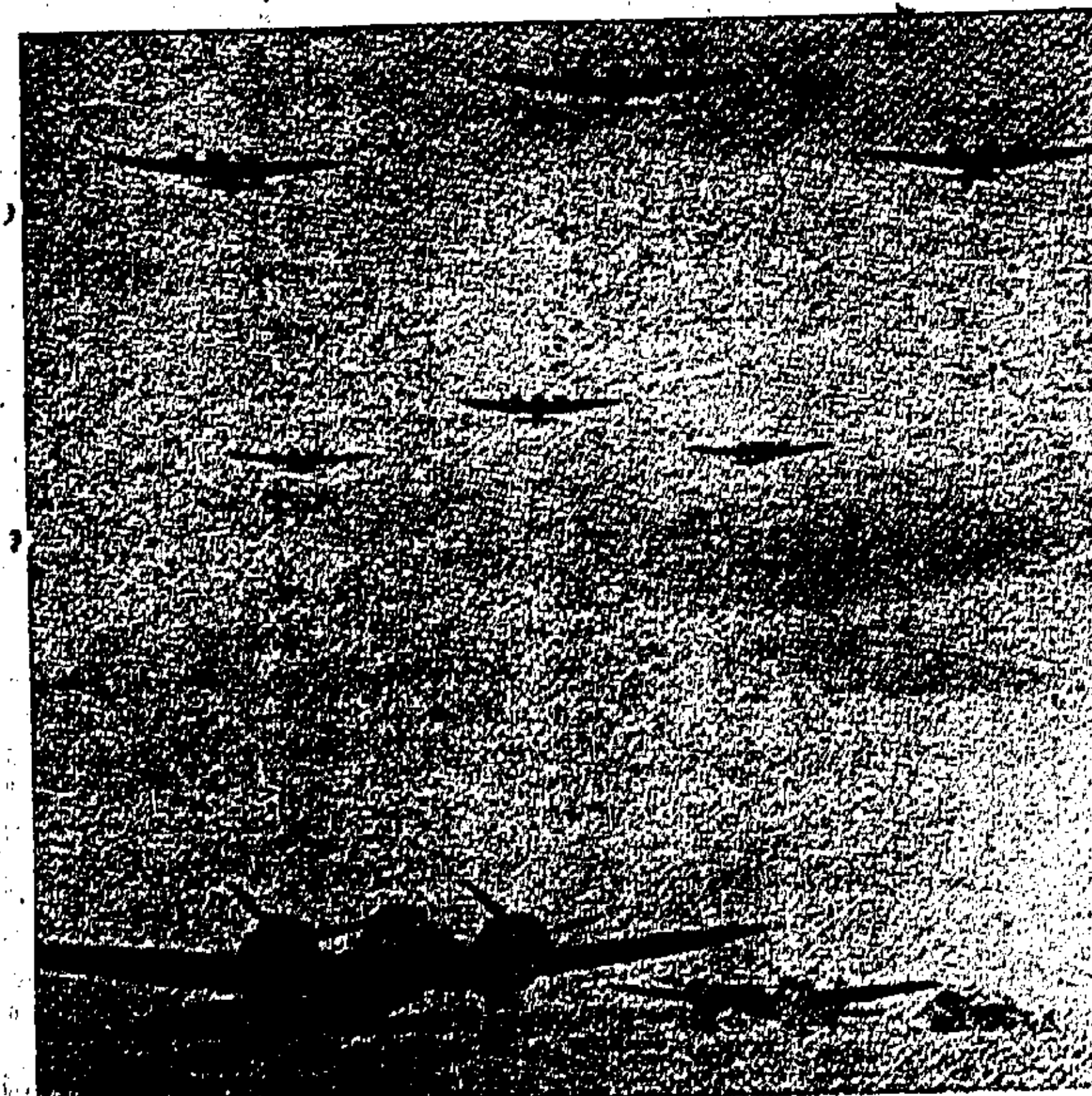
The Cosmopolitans and the Chung Hwa both received walk-overs from C.B.A. and the Royal Scots respectively.

Holiday Golf STARTING TIMES FOR FANLING

The Royal Hongkong Golf Club starting times for Fanling today and tomorrow are as follows:—

MONDAY, JAN. 27.

Old Course	
9.16	B. D. Evans, T. R. Rowell
9.20	A. K. Mackenzie, G. M. Park.
9.24	R. G. Parker, G. T. Harrington.
9.28	C. Austin, J. Hackney.
9.32	J. A. D. Morrison, I. H. Geare.
9.36	A. Mabb, P. V. McLane.
9.40	F. A. Redmond, R. Young.
9.44	S. C. Feltham, D. Allen.
9.48	G. R. Horridge, H. N. Williamson.
9.52	W. G. Crabbe, J. C. Myle.
9.56	J. B. Harrison, M. A. Annett.
10.00	F. Groves, J. Stenersen.
10.04	S. L. Lloyd, D. Humphreys.
10.08	H. H. Mundy, F. C. Barry.
10.12	D. B. Evans, W. M. Barton.
10.16	W. L. Alexander, S. T. Butlin.
10.20	G. W. Behrman, C. R. Marshall.
10.24	R. L. S. Webb, A. A. Bremner.
10.28	B. O. Baldwin, J. Fisterre.
10.32	H. Overy, W. J. E. Mackenzie.
10.36	F. N. Merritt, E. G. Price.
New Course	
9.24	H. W. Belsley, J. W. McKee.
9.32	A. V. & Mrs. Greaves.
9.52	Mrs. Crabbe, Miss Grant.
10.12	P. Morrison, D. L. Newbiggin.
10.16	E. L. Groome, J. Mouat.
10.20	F. A. M. Elliott, R. C. Stewart.
10.24	Mrs. Bremner, Miss Smalley.
TUESDAY, JAN. 28.	
Old Course	
9.16	J. B. Harrison, J. Linaker.
9.20	W. L. Alexander, J. D. Thompson.
9.24	F. MacLeod, J. M. Thomson.
9.28	A. J. Dennis, P. V. McLane.
9.32	C. W. E. Bishop, D. S. Robb.
New Course	
9.28	A. V. & Mrs. Greaves.



R.A.F. Blenheim bombers roarin' g over their base after taking off for a raid on Germany.

INTER-SOCIETY BOWLS

YORKSHIREMEN WIN BY WIDE MARGIN

The Society of Yorkshiresmen beat the Northumberland and Durham Society by 86 shots to 65 in a friendly lawn bowls match played at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club yesterday.

The scores:—
Yorkshiresmen: A. R. Brown, H. H. Mundy, A. J. Holt and J. Deakin (skip) 24; P. B. Parks, J. H. Shaw, L. Sykes and J. G. Meyer (skip) 27; A. G. Grattan, A. L. Fisher, C. F. Needham and A. Brooksbank (skip) 15; Col. Holt, J. H. Bottomley, G. B. Foster and M. N. Rakusen (skip) 20. Total: 86.
Northumberland & Durham: E. Kossick, W. Hudson, J. Smith and J. McGowan (skip) 20; J. G. Humble, R. Radford, S. Hodge and T. Coleman (skip) 13; C. E. Turpin, M. E. Purvis, C. Gowland and T. Carr (skip) 20; J. W. Bertram, Dean Wilson, V. Ramsey and J. Fraser (skip) 12. Total: 65.

LAI WAH CUP

Civilians Beat Navy 4-1

As was generally expected, Civilians defeated the Navy by 4-1 in the semi-final of the Lai Wah Cup competition on the Kowloon Football Club ground yesterday.

Fowler was in great form yesterday, scoring all the goals for the Civilians.

Lapsley, Civilians' custodian, who was playing in his first representative game, gave a very convincing display. Blackburn was a tower of strength at back.

Robinson, in goal for Navy, was still his old self and could not be blamed for the goals scored against him.

Hendy scored for the sailors. **CIVILIANS:**—Lapsley (Kowloon); Blackburn (Police) and Ulrich (Kowloon); Pope (Police), Gough (Police) and Maxwell (Kowloon); Fowler (Club), Howlett (Police), B. Gosano (Kowloon), Ferrier (Police) and Riertsen (Club). **NAVY:**—Robinson; Roughley and O'Regan; Honeywill, Hazard and Britt; Phippens, Le Page, Hendy, Barber and Hawkins.

Hockey Association Tourney Results

The following are the results of matches in the Hockey Association Tournament played yesterday:—

Royal Engineers beat Gunboats 7-1; Khalsa beat A. N. Other XI 6-1; Recrelo beat Police "B" 3-2; Nomads beat Destroyers 6-0; C.B.A. beat 2nd M.T.B.'s 6-0; and Punjabs beat Royal Signals 4-2.

9.36	A. W. Bourne, R. Young.
9.40	J. S. Lee, M. G. Carruthers.
9.44	T. J. J. Fenwick, I. H. Geare.
9.48	W. Hewitt, C. F. Marshall.
9.52	J. L. Oswald, J. Hackney.
9.56	W. M. Barton, P. S. Cassidy.
10.00	S. L. Lloyd, G. Thomerson.
10.04	G. M. Park, F. D. Hunter.
10.08	J. A. D. Morrison, I. W. Sheehan.
10.16	R. P. Morris, H. A. Mills.
10.28	M. L. Reidy, N. C. McLeod.
10.32	H. Overy, W. J. E. Mackenzie.

New Course

9.28 A. V. & Mrs. Greaves.

FOREIGN MAILS

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, 28th JANUARY, 1941, 9.30 A.M.

The following increased postage rates for letters will be effective as from 1st February 1941.

Places in the Colony	3 cents for each ounce or part of an ounce.
British possessions, protectorates and mandated territories.	20 cents for the first ounce and 10 cents for each additional ounce or part of an ounce.
China, and Macao	8 cents for each ounce or part of an ounce.
All countries not specified above.	30 cents for the first ounce and 15 cents for each additional ounce or part of an ounce.

CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS

On Tuesday, the 28th January, the General Post Office and Kowloon Central Post Office will be open from 8 a.m. to noon. Sheungwan Branch Post Office will be open from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. and the other Branch Post Offices will be entirely closed.

There will be one collection from the pillar-boxes as on Sundays and one delivery of registered and ordinary correspondence at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, 28th January.

There will also be one delivery of ordinary correspondence at 11 a.m. on 28th January from the Branch Post Offices at Stanley, Taiipo and Un Long.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed during the holidays.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

INWARD MAILS

From	Due
United Kingdom, Straits and Air Mail by "British Overseas Airways Service" by sea from Singapore.	28th Jan.
Calcutta and Straits	28th Jan.
Swatow	29th Jan.
U. S. A. Honolulu, Japan, and Shanghai — (San Francisco date 10th January)	29th Jan.
Sandakan	30th Jan.
Canton	30th Jan.
Calcutta and Straits	31st Jan.
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 24th January	31st Jan.
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date 28th January	4th Feb.
Java and Manila	5th Feb.
U.S.A. Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date 17th January)	8th Feb.

OUTWARD MAILS

Registered and Parcel Mail are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day. When mails are advertised to close after 5 p.m. Registered and Parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m.

For	Date and Time
TUESDAY	
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U. S. A., Canada, Central and South America via San Francisco.	Tue. 28th G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 9.45 AM Ord. 10.30 AM
WEDNESDAY	
Manila, Batavia and Sourabaya.	Wed. 29th G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 8.30 AM Ord. 9.45 AM
Manila, Australia, and New Zealand via Thursday Island.	Reg. 2.45 PM Ord. 3.30 PM
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa.	3.30 PM
Rangoon and Calcutta.	3.30 PM
THURSDAY	
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, and Parcels only for United Kingdom.	Thu. 30th G.P.O. & K.P.O. Par. 29th 5.00 PM Reg. 30th 9.45 AM Ord. 30th 10.30 AM
Formosa	3.30 PM
Canton	7.00 PM
FRIDAY	
Sandakan	Fri. 31st K.P.O. Reg. 8.30 AM Ord. 10.30 AM
Air Mail by Sea to Singapore to connect with the "British Overseas Airways."	Reg. 10.30 AM Ord. 11.00 AM
Straits and Calcutta.	Parcels 11.00 AM Letters Noon
	K.P.O. Reg. 4.00 PM Ord. 4.30 PM
	G.P.O. Reg. 4.00 PM Ord. 4.30 PM
Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways."	Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
	G.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U. S. A., & Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services"	Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
TUESDAY	
Manila and Parcels only for United Kingdom.	Tue. Feb. 4th G.P.O. & K.P.O. Par. 3/3 5.00 PM Ord. 4/3 8.30 AM
Macassar and Sourabaya	8.30 AM
	K.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
	G.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services"	Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
WEDNESDAY	
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, Central and South America and United Kingdom via San Francisco. (No Parcels for United Kingdom).	Wed. 5th K.P.O. Parcels 4.00 PM Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
	G.P.O. Parcels 4.00 PM Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM

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